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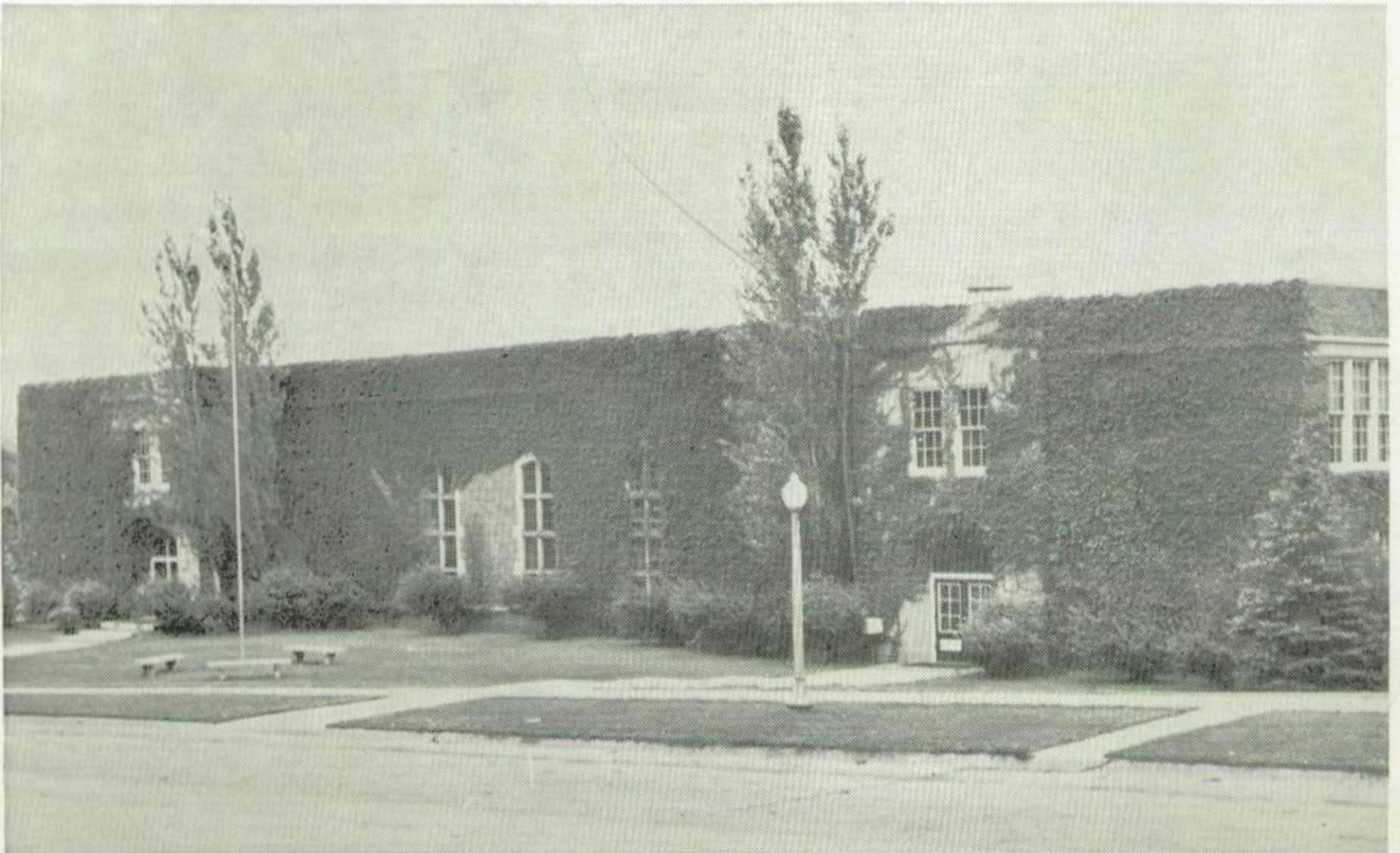


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As a glistening pool reflects the image of the freckle-faced boy and his fishing pole, so the windows of the school reflected the rising flag and the upturned faces of attentive boys and girls. It was the Twelfth Annual Flag Raising Ceremony, and on this occasion, Miss Jesse Parker, retiring state superintendent, discussed the changes in education she had witnessed during her lifetime.

Following the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," and a welcome by the new principal, Ernest Gustafson, upperclassmen made their way classward reluctantly, while self-conscious freshmen darted nervously here and there looking for their respective rooms.

In devastated Korea the guns were at last silent, though elsewhere fighting and unrest continued. The situation in Indo China, where French troops had long been fighting the Communists, became more serious. More than two million people stood cold and wet to watch the coronation of Elizabeth II, and the fiftieth anniversary of Orville and Wilbur Wright's famous flights at Kitty Hawk marked a half century of world progress in aviation.

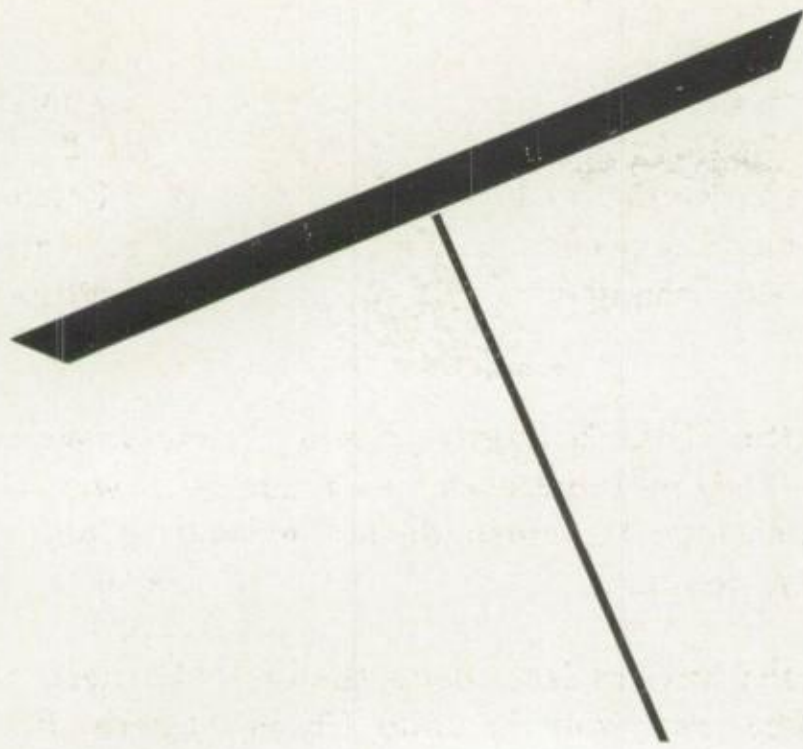
In spite of unrest in the farm scene, an alarming rise in unemployment, the bombast of McCarthy investigations, and the invention of new and more deadly weapons of destruction, life of a student in Denison High School was much the same. He voted for his class officers, joined the band or glee club, cheered or groaned as athletic contests were won or lost, helped select homecoming, ice carnival, and track queens, and became a member of one of a number of clubs.

"Harvest Time" was the theme of homecoming festivities, and the junior's "Horn of Victory" was judged first. The cast of the junior play, "Little Women," turned in a professional performance, and an atmosphere of quiet reverence was created during the Christmas Vesper program. Semester tests, county tournaments, and the Band's Pop concert climaxed the reflections cast during the first half of the school year.

Along with unseasonably warm weather came the realization that the year was rapidly coming to an end, and students began preparing for various vocal, speech, and instrumental contests. A variety show was presented through the combined efforts of the fine arts department, and the seniors staged the fanciful comedy, "The Curious Savage". April 24, high school girls appeared gracefully arrayed in a swirl of soft colors on the arms of their best beaux for the top social event of the year, the Junior-Senior Prom.

To the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" graduates marched deliberately in to the annual Baccalaureate service. Finally, on graduation evening, the senior, clad in cap and gown, saw his mom, his dad, his teachers, his relatives, and his friends sitting in the auditorium. Then he realized that on their faces as well as his own was reflected the story of his life thus far. Pictures of trial, anxiety, failure, and success flashed across his mind, and he wondered what reflections he and his classmates would cast on the pool of life.





# *reflections of*

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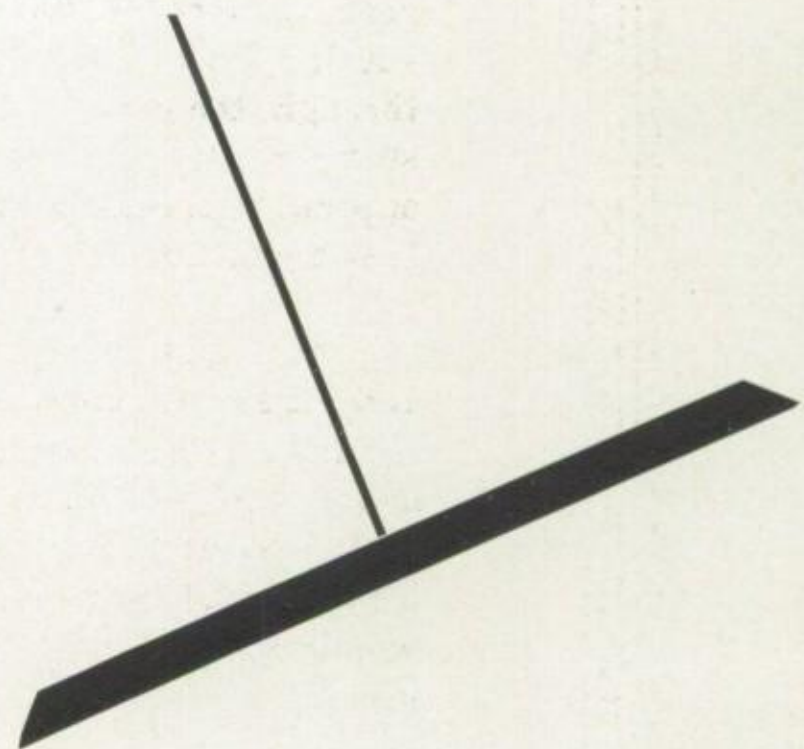
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## . . . dedication

TO Mr. Rex Ruch, vocational agriculture instructor, and Mr. Wendell Woodall, basketball coach and driver education instructor, the staff of the 1953-54 Monarch dedicate this annual.

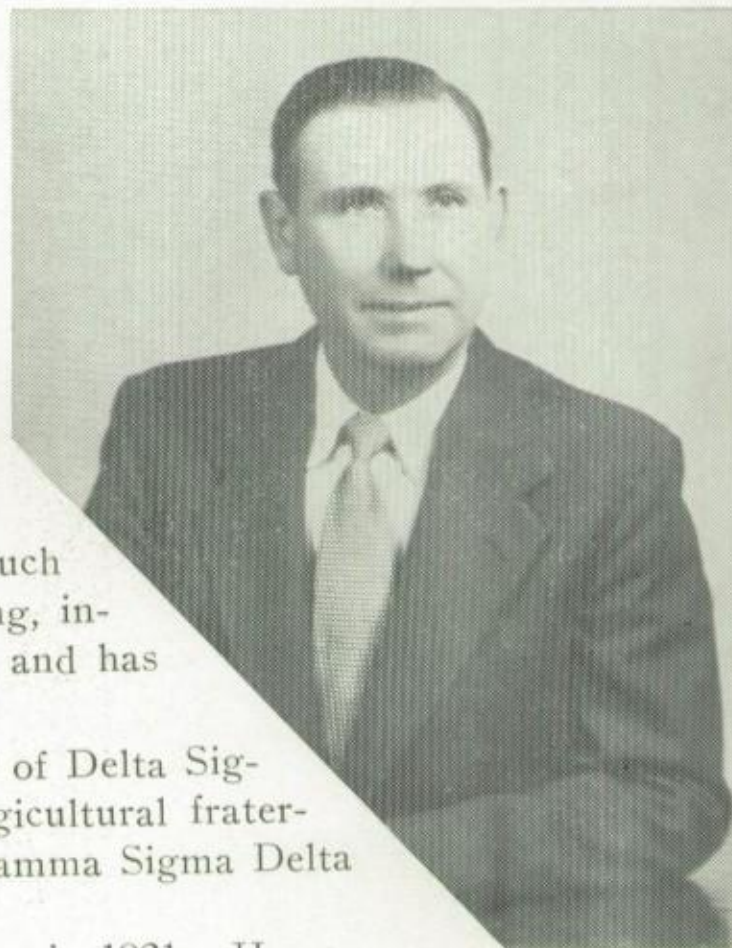
Mr. Ruch began teaching in Denison in 1928 and has taught here for 25 years. During his residence in Denison he has become well acquainted with a good many townspeople and neighboring farmers, all of whom respect him deeply.

In addition to teaching vocational agriculture, Mr. Ruch has taught chemistry, social problems, mechanical drawing, industrial arts, FFA athletics, has been assistant principal, and has chaperoned the FFA boys on several trips to Canada.

Active in many organizations, Mr. Ruch is a member of Delta Sigma Phi, a social fraternity; Alpha Zeta, an honorary agricultural fraternity; Phi Mu Alpha, an honorary music fraternity; and Gamma Sigma Delta and Sigma Alpha, both honorary teaching fraternities.

Mr. Ruch graduated from high school in Pierson, Iowa, in 1921. He received his B. A. at Iowa State College and later his M. S. degree. He then taught a year at Orient, Iowa, before coming to Denison.

Mr. Ruch's students, successful in farming and various other fields, owe their primary agricultural knowledge and their will to advance to a man who has won not only their friendship, but also their admiration as a fine instructor.



This year Mr. Woodall, who in previous years taught general science, concentrated his efforts on coaching varsity football and basketball. He also supervised classes in physical education and driver's training.

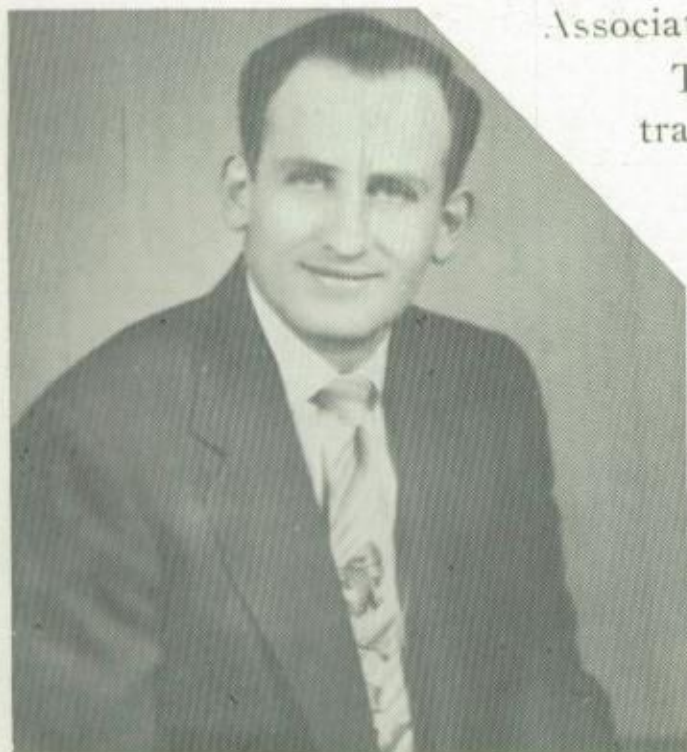
Mr. Woodall graduated from Webster City High School in 1943 and that year was named to the all-state basketball team. After serving 27 months in the Army Air Force, he enrolled in Drake University, which he attended for one year. He then transferred to Iowa State Teachers College, where he received his B. A. degree.

Mr. Woodall is active in social organizations, being a member of the American Legion, B. P. O. E., and Driver, National and Iowa Education Associations.

Taking or having taken an active part in basketball, football, track, and golf, he is an avid fan of any and all sports.

Mr. Woodall came to Denison in 1950, and in his four years here has become one of the most popular and best-liked teachers in the entire school. Alumni, who revisit school on furloughs or week ends, come to see him, their well remembered coach and instructor.

To these two teachers we dedicate this annual in the firm trust that the class of 1954 will remember with eternal friendship and gratitude the days that they spent in this school under the guidance and leadership of men like these.







administration



## **superintendent**

K. B. Koch, soft spoken and mild mannered, but resolutely determined to keep Denison school standards of conduct and achievement high, has won the respect of both faculty and student body in his three years of service as superintendent.

## **principal**

Principal Ernest Gustafson, impartial and persevering, can always be found working for the improvement and advancement of Denison high school students.

## **school board**

Ray Hoffeins, Ray Moeller, Virgil Nelson, D. D. McCracken, Margaret Nelson, Harold Jenkins, and Theodore Feddersen, members of the school board, ably supervised school administrative affairs throughout the year 1953-54.

They voluntarily gave of their time and effort in authorizing expenditures, making the budget, and setting school policies.

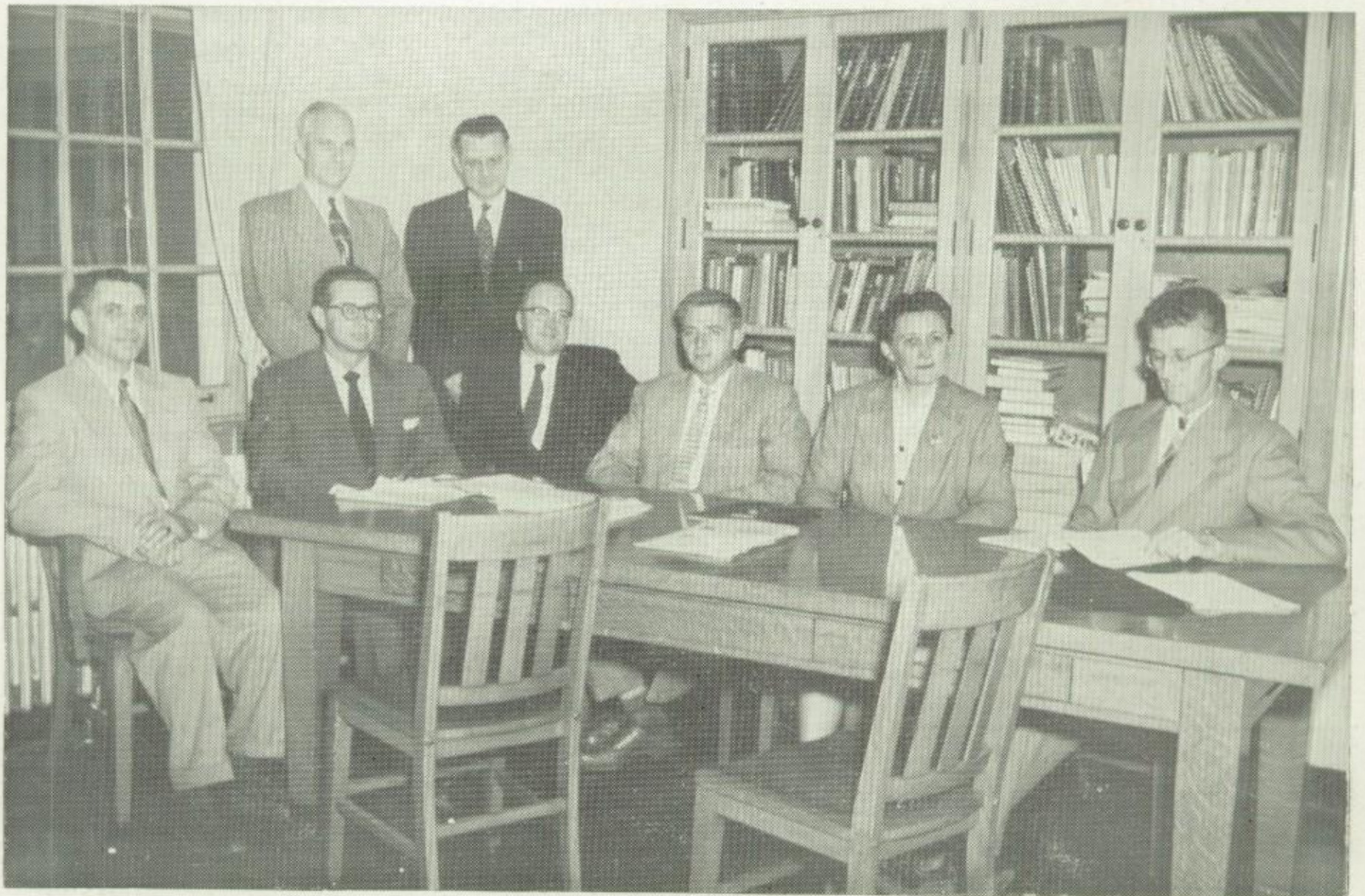




K. B. KOCH  
Superintendent



ERNEST GUSTAFSON  
Principal



#### SCHOOL BOARD

**First Row:** Left to right—Mr. K. B. Koch, Mr. Raymond Hoffeins, Mr. Virgil Nelson, Dr. D. D. McCracken, Mrs. Margaret Nelson, Mr. Harold Jenkins. **Second Row**—Mr. Theodore Feddersen, Mr. Ray Moeller.





**First Row:** Left to right—Mary Dutcher, Delores Fastje, Lotus Chapman, Mrs. Mary Ann Prichard, Janet Lee, Anna Marie Schneller, Beverly Stall, Mrs. Gladys Morford, Mrs. Louise Jewell, Mrs. Margaret Stangl. **Second Row**—Colleen Dillard, Iris Vanlandingham, Gladys Jefferson, Jean Conger, Shirley Smith, Ines Glotfelty, Mrs. Mildred Leonard, Mrs. Hilda B. Catron, Mrs. Julia Lyon, Bertha Malone. **Third Row**—Mrs. Edwin Coen, Esther Oppedahl, LaVerne Shannon, Rosemarie Miner, Margaret Green, Lillian Granzow, Hazel Nelson, Mrs. Martha Hennis, Geraldine Ambrose. **Fourth Row**—Rex Ruch, Jack Fitzgerald, Ernest Gustafson, William Lewis, K. B. Koch, Max Liggett. **Fifth Row**—Harold Petersen, Luman Colton, R. M. Jenson, Arthur Potratz, Harry K. Blomstrand, Wendall Woodall, Harold Jacobs.

SCHOOLS from all over the state and nation are represented in the education of Denison teachers. These include Iowa State Teachers College, Iowa University, Iowa State College, Simpson, Buena Vista, Morningside, Cornell, Iowa Wesleyan, Parsons, Fort Dodge Junior College, Westmar, Drake, McPhail School of Music, Art, and Drama, Kansas State Teachers College, University of Minnesota, St. Olaf, Minneapolis College of Music, Nebraska University, Northwestern University, Wisconsin University, Wyoming University, Colorado State College, University of Southern California, and Columbia.

In teaching the academic subjects—agriculture, science, diversified occupations, English, Latin, journalism, social science, mathematics, home economics, art, speech, typing, shorthand, business training, economics, bookkeeping, driver's training, and physical education—the number of students under the instruction of a single teacher is as high as 230.

Some members of the faculty have been teaching for as long as thirty years, while others are just completing their first year in the field.

In addition to his regular teaching duties, a single faculty member may supervise as many as 166 students in extra-curricular activities—vocal music, instrumental music, dramatics, football, basketball, track, Girls Athletic Association, Pep Club, Library Club, Future Farmer Association, Cadet Teachers Corps, Science Club, Cooperative Modern Apprentices, and Teenage Drivers Club.



## student council . . .

THE Student Council, under the direction of Principal Ernest Gustafson, provided a student-faculty relations group throughout the year, whose purpose was to discuss current problems and propose their solutions.

The twelve members were made up of the president from each class and two elected representatives. This year's council included representatives Ross Johnson and Karen Britton of the freshman class and President Wayne Rood. Representing the sophomore class were President Miriam Cole, Joleen Marquardt and Don Aebischer. Junior class President Mary Jo Siemer was accompanied by Representatives Jim Munson and Pat Solberg, while Dan Hanigan, senior class president, and Representatives Mary Brodersen and Frank Holland completed the Council.

At their first meeting the group selected Dan Hanigan as president of the council. Mary Brodersen and Frank Holland were chosen vice-president and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

In addition to their initial purpose of discussing current problems, the council planned an Easter program and selected next year's assemblies.

A committee was chosen to meet with faculty members and work out a plan concerning conduct in the halls. The members of the committee—Mary Brodersen, Dan Hanigan, Pat Solberg, Mary Jo Siemer, Ross Johnson, and Joleen Marquardt—wrote to other schools for ideas on handling this situation.

**First Row:** Left to right—Mary Brodersen, James Munson, Donald Aebischer, Francis Holland, Mary Jo Siemer, Karen Britton. **Second Row**—Wayne Rood, Patricia Solberg, Joleen Marquardt, Ross Johnson, Miriam Cole, Principal Ernest Gustafson.







#### OFFICE GIRLS

Left to right—Mrs. William Mullenger, Mrs. Kenneth Bolken.

Seven men — Marty Petersen, Jess Shives, Al Schraeder, Fred Thompson, Dale Zea, Emil Bohnker, and Glen Fouts — worked to keep the school buildings clean and comfortable, and drove school buses through ice, snow, rain, and sleet on daily rounds to bring students to school and to take them to countless athletic, music, and educational events.



#### CUSTODIANS

First Row: Left to right—Glen Fouts, Marty Petersen, Dale Zea. Second row—Jess Shives, Al Schraeder, Emil Bohnker, Fred Thompson.



#### COOKS

Left to right—Mrs. Marie Roennau, Mrs. Minnie Lorenzen.

REFLECTIONS in the mirror of 1953-54 reveal that a competent and helpful staff of office help, custodians, and cooks keep the wheels of Denison High School running smoothly.

Miss Beverly Christiansen and Mrs. Sandra Mullenger sold everything from pencils to sheets of construction paper to students, kept attendance and financial reports, and answered innumerable phone calls to keep the office operating in an efficient manner. Later, Mrs. Lowene Bolken took over the responsibilities of Beverly's job.

Mrs. Marie Roennau and Mrs. Minnie Lorenzen, under the direction of Mrs. Otilia Jacobsen, were kept busy putting out hundreds of lunches each day besides preparing for such special dinners as the Junior-Senior banquet, the Kiwanis Football banquet, and the faculty-school board banquet.

In addition to her duties as dietician, Mrs. Jacobsen did a valiant job of supervising the health of the student body.





***seniors***



# ... seniors

**BAUGHMAN, BLAIR**—Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert Band 2, 3, 4; Marching Band 3, 4; Play Production 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Livestock Judging Team 3, 4; F. F. A. Contests 3, 4; Library Club 2; Pep Band 4; Basketball Letter 4; Track Letter 4; Band Letter 3; Band Bars 4; Dance Band 4; Assistant F. F. A. Vice-president 4.

**BECK, DONALD**—Football 1, 2, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; D Club 3, 4; Squires 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Letter 3, 4; Football Letter 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3.

**BEHEN, SALLY**—Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Library Club 2, 3; Pep Club 4; Drama Club 4; Play Production 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Basketball 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Float Committee 4; Forty-Word Typing Certificate 3.

**BOHM, DONALD**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball Letter.

**BRANDENBURG, EDGAR**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Vice-president 4; F. F. A. Delegate 3; F. F. A. Contest 4; F. F. A. Demonstration Team 4; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4.

**BRANNON, ROBERT**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2; Baseball 2; Science Club 3; Annual Staff 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; D Club 3, 4; Play Production 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3; Driver's Training 2; Football Letter 3; Basketball 1, 4.

**BRETEY, GERALD**—Play Production 1, 2, 3; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. President 4; Diversified Occupations 3, 4; President, Diversified

Occupations Club 4; F. F. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Contest 3, 4.

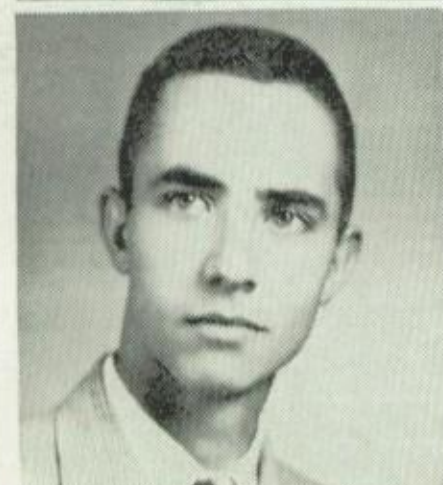
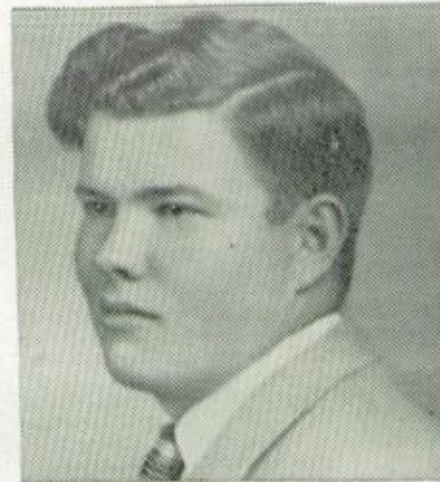
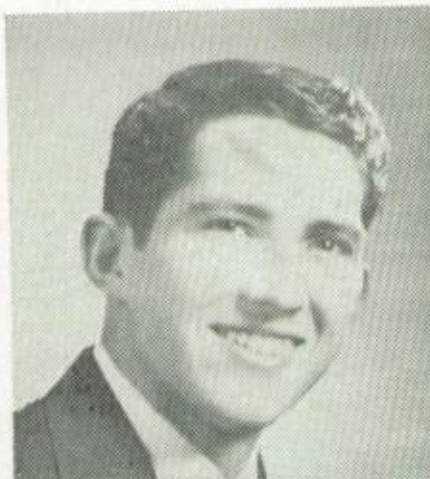
**BRODERSEN, MARY**—Drama Club 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Candidate for Homecoming Queen 4; Vice-president of Drama Club 3, 4; Secretary of Library Club 4; Secretary of Cadet Teachers 4; F. F. A. Queen Attendant 2; Student Council 2, 4; Vice-president, Student Council 4; Science Club 4.

**BROWN, FRANCIS**—Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Science Club 3, 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Basketball 3; Track 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Boys Quartet 4; All State Chorus 4; Track Letter 3; Class Vice-president 2; Class Secretary 3; Drama Club Secretary 3; Boys Octet 4; Driver's Training 4.

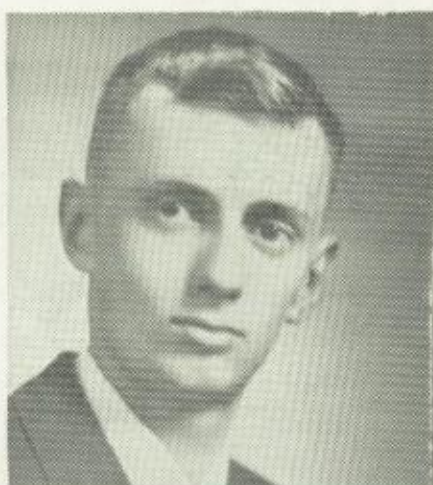
**CHRISTENSEN, SHIRLEY**—Play Production 2, 3; Library Club 3, 4; F. F. A. Queen 3; Library Club President 4; Library Club Certificate 3; Driver's Training 2; Diversified Occupations 4; Bookkeeping Award 3.

**CLAREY, ROBERT**—Play Production 1; Basketball 3; Football 3, 4; Football Letter 4; Track 3; Science Club 4; Basketball Manager 1.

**CRANE, AMY BELLE**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3, 4; Drama Club 4; Girls Sextet 3; Madrigal 3, 4; Solo 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 2; Driver's Training 1; Rainbow 1, 2, 3, 4; Typing Award 2; Library Letter and Merit Award 3; Music Letter 3; Cadet Teachers 4.







**DENKER, HUGO**—Marching Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 4; Glee Club 1, 4; Trombone Quartet 3, 4; Brass Quintet 3; Science Club 3; Drama Club 3, 4; Dance Band, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band President 4; F. F. A. Sentinel 4; State F. F. A. Band 3; Trombone Solo 2, 3, 4; Boys Octet 4; Original Oratory 4; F. F. A. Contest 4.

**DUNCAN, DAVID**—Art 3, 4; Basketball 4; D Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Manager 1; Pep Club 4; Library Club 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2; Track Manager 1; Driver's Training 3; Monarch News 4; Annual Staff 4; Basketball Letter 4.

**EGGERS, REGINA**—Play Production 1, 3; Cadet Teachers 4; Library Club 3; Driver's Training 3.

**FRAZIER, DOROTHY**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Driver's Training 4.

**GARY, BRUCE**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Letter 1, 2, 3; Football Letter 4; Football Captain 4; Monarch News 4; Annual Staff 4; Driver's Training 2; D Club 3, 4.

**GARY, THOMAS**—Football 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 3; Science Club 3, 4; Track Letter 3; Driver's Training 2; D Club 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3.

**GOESER, JOHN**—Football 1; Basketball 1; Baseball 1, 2; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3, 4; Science Club 3; Drama Club 4; Play Production 2, 4; Squires 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club Reporter 4; I Rating, Dramatic Declamation Contest,

Preliminary 4; Monarch News 3; Annual Staff 3.

**HALTERMAN, DELOS**—Diversified Occupations Class 4; Diversified Occupations Club 4.

**HANIGAN, DAN**—Football 1, 2; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 2; Basketball Letter 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Science Club 3; Pep Club 3, 4; D Club 4; Basketball Manager 1; Business Manager, Monarch News 4; Representative Senior 4; Class Secretary-Treasurer 2; Class President 4; Student Council President 4; Register and Tribune Honor Roll 4; All Southwest Honorable Mention 4; Annual Staff 4.

**HANRAHAN, THERESIA**—Library Club 3, 4; Play Production 3, 4.

**HARDER, ROBERT**—Football 4; Driver's Training 4; Football Letter 4; Dance Committee 4; Track 4; Track Letter 4; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; Art 3.

**HARKER, JEAN**—Concert Band 4; Dance Band 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 4; Drama Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; G. A. A. Board 2, 3; Girls Trio 3, 4; Sextet 3; Madrigal 4; Mixed Quartet 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Piana Solo, I Rating 2; All State Chorus 3, 4; Accompanist, Small Groups and Solos Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Accompanist, Girls Glee Club and Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Representative Senior 4; Vice-President Cadet Teachers 4.



## . . . seniors

**HAWLEY, CHARLES**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Football Letter 1; F. F. A. Basketball Letter 3, 4; F. F. A. Scholarship Award 1, 3; F. F. A. Sentinel 3; Parliamentary Procedure Team 3.

**HELDT, JO ANN**—Pep Club 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Driver's Training 3; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Volleyball 1, 2, 3.

**HILL, JANICE**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dance Recital 2; G. A. A. Bowling 2, 3; Pep Club 4; Drama Club 4; Library Club 2, 3; Homecoming Float Committee 1; Music Letter 3; Library Merit Award 3; Forty Word Typing Certificate 3; Driver's Training 4.

**HINZ, JANICE**—Glee Club 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Science Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 4; Driver's Training 3; G. A. A. Letter 4; Girls State Alternate 3; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Forty Word Typing Certificate 3; Class Treasurer 3; G. A. A. Board 2; Secretary-Treasurer, G. A. A. 3; President, G. A. A. 4; Drama Club President 4; Pep Club Secretary 4; Science Club Vice-President 3.

**HOLLAND, FRANK**—Football 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3; Science Club 3; Pep Club President 4; Student Council 1, 4; Student Council Secretary-Treasurer 4; Play Production 1, 2, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Driver's

Training 2; Monarch News 4; Annual Staff 4.

**HOLMES, MARLEEN**—G. A. A. 1, 2; Science Club.

**JAACKS, RUTH**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Forty Word Typing Certificate 3; G. A. A. Letter 2.

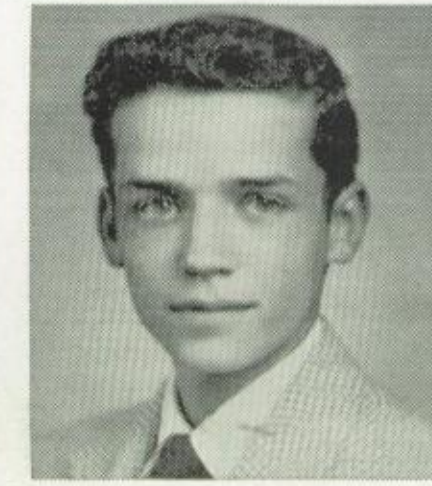
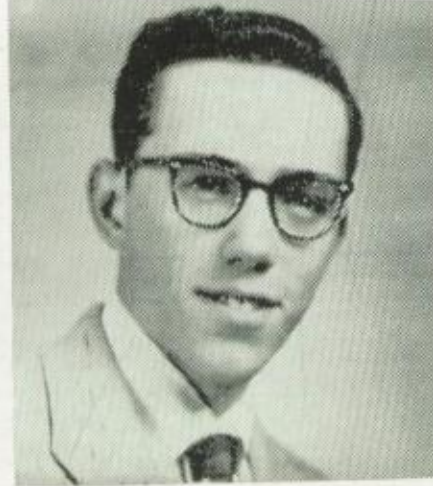
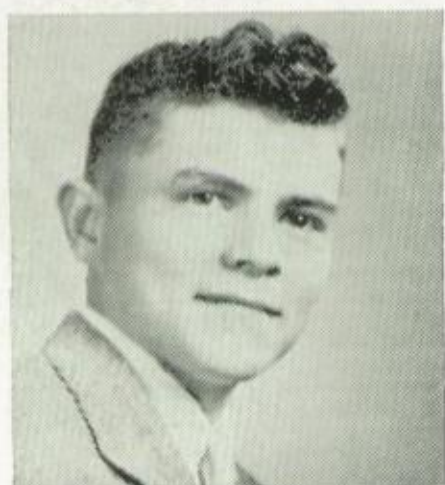
**JOHNSON, SALLY**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 4; Girls Sextet 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Board 3; G. A. A. Vice-President 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Pep Club Vice-President 4; Library Club 2, 3; Drama Club 3, 4; Science Club Reporter 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Queen Attendant 4; Music Letter 4; G. A. A. Letter 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President 2; Student Council 2.

**KAHL, DONNA**—Driver's Training 2; Play Production 2, 4; Bookkeeping Award 3.

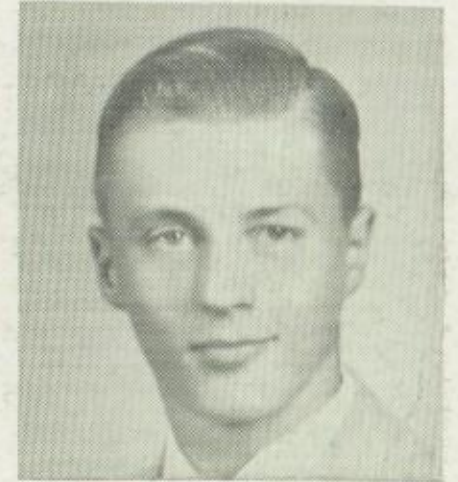
**KAPFER, PHILLIP**—Play Production 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Boys Quartet 4; Science Club 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Boys Octet 4; President Cadet Teachers 4.

**KAPFER, RICHARD**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; All State Chorus 3; Madrigal 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Science Club 3, 4; Cadet Teachers 3, 4; Basketball 1; Track 1; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys State 3; Cadet Teachers President 4; Drama Club Secretary-Treasurer 4; Mixed Quartet 4; Boys Octet 4.

**KEATING, BEVERLY**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3; Sixty Word Typing Certificate 3; Library Club 3; Music Letter 3; Class Secretary-Treasurer 4; Play Production 2, 3; Drama Club 3.







**KINNEY, KENNETH**—Diversified Occupations 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3; Vice-President Diversified Occupations Club 4.

**KRACHT, ROBERTA**—G. A. A. 1; Glee Club 3, 4.

**KRACHT, STANLEY**—Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Football 1, 2; Football Letter 1; Basketball 1, 2; Basketball Letter 1.

**LANGER, JOHN**—Football 1, 3; Basketball 2; Track 1, 2, 3; F. F. A. 1, 2; Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Class President 1; Science Club 4; Driver's Training 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Play Production 1; Dance Club 1; Track Letter 3.

**LORENZEN, IRENE**—Glee Club 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Diversified Occupations 4.

**LUECK, DONNA**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Speech Contest 3, 4; Science Club 4; Cadet Teachers 4; Driver's Training 3; Library Club 2, 3; G. A. A. Board 3; Dance Club 2; Cheerleader 3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Queen Attendant 4; G. A. A. Bowling 1, 2, 3; G. A. A. Letter 2; G. A. A. Basketball 1, 2; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4.

**LUTTS, SARAH**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Diversified Occupations 4; Glee Club 1, 2.

**MATTSON, DOLORES**—Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Library Club 2; Cadet Teachers 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Bowling 1, 2; Drama Club 3; Homecoming Queen Attendant 4; G. A. A. Board 3; Pep Club 4; G. A. A. Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

**McMINIMEE, JOHN**—Brass Sextet 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2; Science Club 3, 4; Drama Club 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Trombone Quartet 2; Co-Captain Football 4; Football Letter 3, 4; Track Letter 3; Basketball Letter 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Letter 1, 2; Band Bars 3, 4.

**MESENBRINK, JAMES**—F. F. A. 1, 2; Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Driver's Training 1.

**MEYER, EULA MAE**—Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Bookkeeping Award 3; Forty Word Typing Certificate 3.

**MEYER, ROBERT**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Track 3.



## . . . seniors

**MOELLER, ERWIN**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 1, 3, 4.

**NORMAN, NANCY**—Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dance Band 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Marching Band 1, 3, 4; Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1; All State Orchestra 2, 3; String Bass Solo 1, 2, 3, 4; Violin Solo 3, 4; Band Letter 3; Rating I on String Bass Solo 3; Science Club President 4; G. A. A. Board 3; Library Club 3, 4; Play Production 4.

**O'CONNOR, JAMES**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Play Production 2; Science Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 3; Cadet Teachers 4; Football Letter 1, 3, 4; Track Letter 1, 2, 3, 4; State Track Recognition 3; Monarch News 3; Drama Club 3.

**OLSEN, PAUL**—Football 4; Track 3, 4; F. F. A. 2; F. F. A. Basketball 2; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; Science Club 4; Track Letter 4; Glee Club 1.

**PETERSEN, DONALD**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 4; Science Club 4; Library Club 2, 3, 4.

**POGGENSEE, EDWARD**—F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**QUANDT, BERNADEEN**—Play Production 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Diversified Occupations 4.

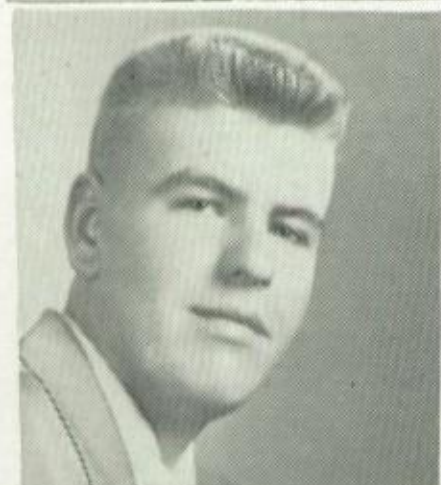
**QUANDT, COLLEEN**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Play Production 1, 2, 3.

**RABE, ARNOLD**—Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Madrigal 4; Brass Sextet 2, 3, 4; Brass Quintet 3; Science Club 4; Band Letter 1; Band Bars 1, 2, 3; Band Pin 3; Music Letter 3; Band Council 1; Marching Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tuba Solo 1, 2, 3, 4; All State Band 2, 4; Pep Band 2, 3, 4; Boys Octet 4; Student Conducting 3, 4.

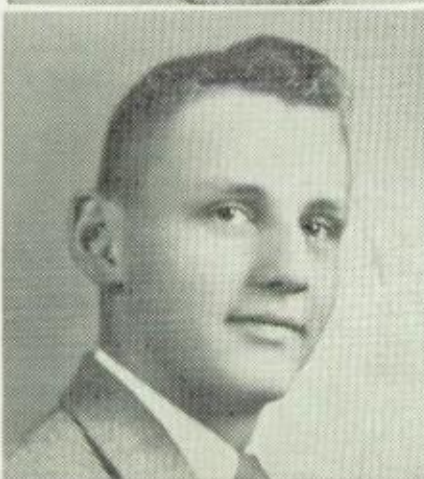
**RABE, CAROLE**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1.

**REICHERT, GERTRUDE**—Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3; Library Club 3, 4; Library Club Letter 3; Library Club Certificate 3; Diversified Occupations 4.

**REIFF, ROSE ANN**—Glee Club 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 3; Driver's Training 4; Homecoming Queen 4; F. F. A. Queen Attendant 3; Girls State 3; Student Council 3; Forty Word Typing Certificate.







**RETMAN, PATRICIA**—Drama Club 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Sextet 3, 4; Pep Club 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 4; Cadet Teachers 3, 4; Operetta 2; Vocal Solo 3, 4; Dance Club 3; Driver's Training 3; Girls Trio 3; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; G. A. A. Letter 4; Music Letter 4.

**REVERS, JOHN**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; "D" Club 3, 4; Football Letter 3; Library Club Letter 3; Music Letter 3; Boys State 3.

**ROOD, JANICE**—Glee Club 4.

**RUNGE, RICHARD**—Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4; "D" Club 2, 3, 4; Drama Club 4; Student Council 3; Play Production 1, 2; Library Club 2, 3; Cadet Teachers 3, 4; Football Letter 1; Class Vice-President 4; Student Council Vice-President 3; Library Club Secretary 3; Dance Club 3.

**SATTERLEE, DOROTHY**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Board 4; Basketball 1; G. A. A. Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

**SAVERY, MARILYN** — Driver's Training 3; Marching Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Saxophone Quartet 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Saxophone Quartet 1, 2, 3, 4; Saxophone Sextet 3, 4; Saxophone Solo 1, 2, 3, 4; Dance Band 3, 4; Clarinet Trio 3; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Pep Club

3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Music Club 3, 4; G. A. A. Bowling 1, 2, 3; Science Club 4; G. A. A. Basketball 1, 2, 4; Band Letter 1; Band Bars 2, 3; Music Letter 4; Saxophone Rating I State Contest 1, 2, 3; All State Band 3, 4; Forty Word Typing Certificate 3; Class President 3; G. A. A. Board 2; Band Secretary 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls Quartet 4; Student Conducting 3, 4.

**SIEMER, MARILYN**—G. A. A. 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Diversified Occupations Club 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3.

**SHIELDS, VIRGINIA**—Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Marching Band 3, 4; Drama Club 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3; Science Club 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Letter 3; Annual Staff 3, 4; Monarch News 3, 4; Dance Club 3; Speech Contest 4.

**SIEVERS, HARLOW**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Letter 1, 3, 4; "D" Club 3, 4; Science Club 4; Pep Club 3, 4; Library Club 3; Drama Club 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Basketball Letter 2, 3, 4; Play Production 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Contests 2, 3, 4.

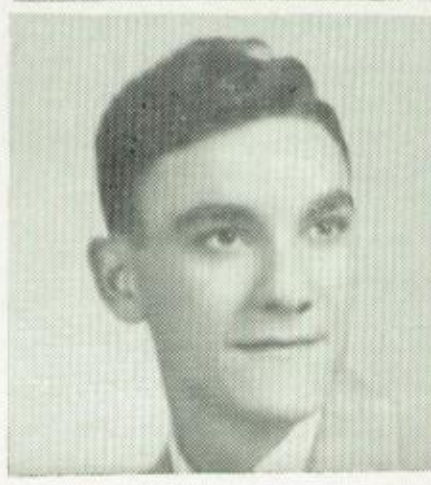
**SMITH, JERRY**—General Course; Art 3, 4.

**TATE, BRADLEY**—Football 1, 2, 3; Football Letter 1; Play Production 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Treasurer 4; Gold Rating District and State F. F. A. Public Speaking Contests 3; Gold Rating District F. F. A. Extemporaneous Speaking Contest 4; Oratorical Declamation 4; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; F. F. A. Usher State Fair 2.

**TAYLOR, SALLY**—General Course



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**THOMPSON, ARNOLD**—Diversified Occupations 3, 4; Diversified Occupations Club 4.

**WEARMOUTH, JAMES**—Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Football Letter 4; Play Production 2.

**WELCH, BUD**—Play Production 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Marching Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Concert Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Trombone Quartet 2, 3, 4; Science Club 3, 4; Track 1; Trombone Solo 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; Operetta 1, 2; Brass Quartet 1; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys Quartet 4; Madrigal 2; Double Male Quartet 4; State F. F. A. Chorus 2, 3, 4; National F. F. A. Chorus 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3; Parliamentary Procedure 2;

Senior Band Representative 4; Band Letter 2; Band Bars 2, 3, 4; Projection Crew 1, 2, 3, 4; Democratic Speech Contest 4.

**WINGROVE, EDITH**—Commercial Course; Glee Club 1, 2; Diversified Occupations 4.

**WIESE, ROBERT**—D Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Art 4.

**WINN, BRYCE**—Football 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3; Science Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; Library Club 3, 4.

**ZEIMEN, JOSEPH**—General Course; Annual Staff 4; Monarch News 4; Art 4; Diversified Occupations 3, 4.

**ZITZLSPERGER, ROBERT**—General Course.

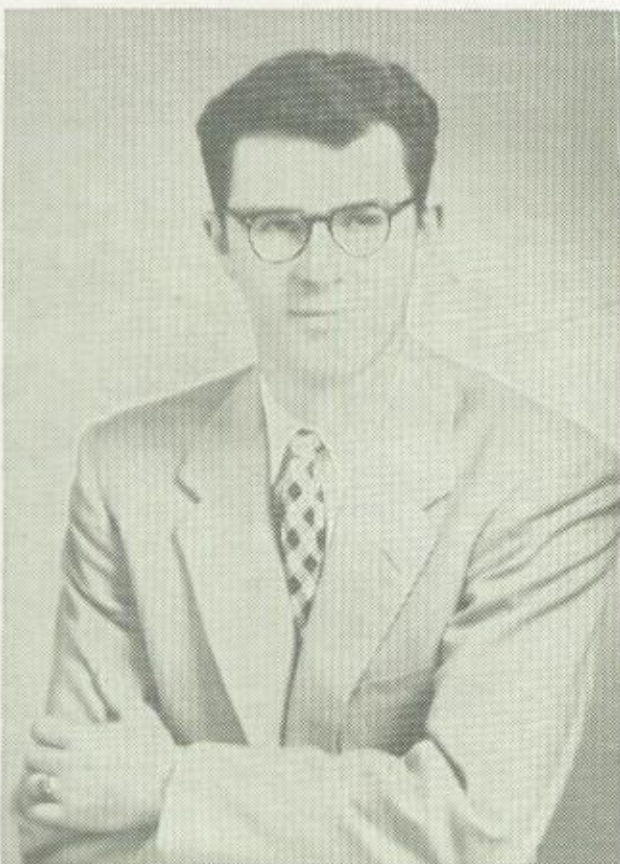


## *representative seniors . . .*



**L**IKEABLE, easy to know Dick Kapfer, has distinguished himself in many activities during the last four years. Dick, who was the '53 Boys State representative, was president of the Cadet Teachers Club and secretary-treasurer of Drama Club. He has sung in Mixed Chorus, Boys' Glee Club, and Madrigal, and was a member of the 1953 All-State Chorus. Dick has also been prominent in play production having taken leading roles in class and contest plays all through his high school career.

Talented Jean Harker, chosen most representative senior girl, has been prominent in musical circles all through high school. She received a I rating on her piano solo at the state music contest when she was a sophomore. She has participated in Girls' Glee Club, Girls' Sextet, Mixed Chorus, Madrigal, and Trio, and accompanied Boys' Glee Club, the Musical Monarchs, and contest soloists. During her freshman, sophomore, and junior years she was cast in important roles in class plays, and as a senior was named the lead of "The Curious Savage." Jean's friendly smile and winning personality gained her the position of queen of the Lake View Ice Carnival and the admiration of everyone with whom she comes in contact.



Dan Hanigan, excelling in leadership, is known to all for his friendly manner. He was secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class, and this year held the office of president of both the senior class and the Student Council. Interested in sports, Dan has taken part in football, basketball, and track. Along with his other activities, he has found time to be active in "D" Club, Science Club, Pep Club, Library Club, and has been business manager of the Monarch News.



AS THE members of the senior class reflect back over their school careers, they remember that as freshmen they elected John Langer, president; Sally Johnson, vice-president; and Jerry Smith, secretary-treasurer. The basketball squad—Don Beck, David Duncan, Stanley Kracht, Ralph Miller, David Niday, and John McMinimee—won the County Junior High Basketball tournament. This was the last year that Denison sponsored a girls' basketball team, and Ruth Jaacks and Dorothy Saterlee won berths on it.

"Those in Glass Houses," "The Dear Departed," and "What a Night" were the three one-act plays which started the class on the road to dramatic fame, while Donna Lueck was elected to represent the class on the Dance Committee.

As sophomores, they won the annual float contest and installed Sally Johnson as president, Francis Brown, vice-president, and Dan Hanigan, secretary-treasurer. Mary Brodersen and Harlow Sievers were elected to the newly organized Student Council, and Sally Johnson was named substitute cheerleader.

Thirteen boys earned positions on the football team this year, and seven participated in basketball.

Twenty-one dramatists displayed their talents in "Antic Spring," "Sparkin'," "Cabbages," and "The Sky's the Limit."

While juniors, the class of '54 chose Marilyn Savery, Charley Hawley, Francis Brown, and Janice Hinz as president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, respectively, to lead them through the school year, and plan the all-important junior-senior prom, whose theme was "Coronation."

Participation by class members in extra-curricular activities was outstanding. Twelve boys reported for football, eight for basketball, and eight boys also turned out for track. Music organizations had the support of ten juniors, and fourteen amateur actors presented the three-act comedy, "Foot-loose." Included in the cast were Harlow Sievers, Janice Hill, Virginia Shields, Mary Brodersen, Blair Baughman, Jean Harker, Amy Crane, Hugo Denker, Lois Hansen, Francis Brown, Dick Kapfer, Bradley Tate, Marilyn Savery, and Gerald Bretey.

Junior cheerleaders were Sally Johnson, Mary Brodersen, and Donna Lueck.

Dan Hanigan, Dick Runge and Beverly Keating as president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, led the Class of '54 through their last year at high school.

This class can boast of many leaders. Hugo Denker presided as president of the Band. Janice Hinz, Gerald Bretey and Nancy Norman held the office of president in G. A. A., F. A. A. and Science Club, in that order. Dick Kapfer led the Cadet Teachers through many trying but fruitful experiences with their young pupils.

Pep Club was presided over by Frank Holland, Sally Johnson, and Janice Hinz. The cheerleaders who led the Monarch rooting section included Sally Johnson, Mary Brodersen and Donna Lueck.

Rose Ann Reiff, as Queen, reigned over the Homecoming festivities. Donna Lueck, Sally Johnson and Dolores Mattson were her attendants.

Mary Brodersen and Frank Holland took their places on Student Council, student governing body.

Elected by the football team as their co-captains were guard, Bruce Gary, and tackle, John McMinimee.





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**First Row:** Left to right—Joyce Servoss, Janice Quade, Susan Spieker, Nancy Mohr, Barbara Duncan, Janice Jaacks, Jane Boeck, Wanda Hillhouse, Alice Bowen, Mr. William Lewis, Mary Jo Siemer, Sharon Davis, Roxana Jedelev, Nancy Retman, Sally Jewell, Mary Weed, Darwin Lingle, Richard Petersen. **Second Row**—JoAnn Shields, Marilyn Wingrove, Elvira Heldt, Barbara Whiting, Patricia Robbins, Margaret McGee, Lorraine Weber, Marletta, Guyett, Betty Wulf, Jackie Trumbull, Patricia Solberg, Phyllis North, Dwayne Sturtevant, Delbert Langholtz, Dwayne Freerking, Jack Groth. **Third Row**—Donald Jensen, Gerald Riley, Mickey Clarey, Dale Huebner, Judy Kregness, Mary Michaelson, Janice Nollen, Phyllis Whited, Lyla Kay Newlon, Jerry Speake, Arlo Buck, Darwin Heide, Carol Christiansen. **Fourth Row**—Jackie Grill, Dianne Grill, Kathryn Nollen, Zola Gehring, Bob Kruse, James Kregness, Larry Zea, Janice Smith, Janice Neumann, Marilyn Walde, Jo Ann Schraeder, Wayne Dozark, Larry Merritt, Barry Moeller, James Munson, Gail Neumeyer. **Fifth Row**—Alan Schultz, Roger Kuhlman, Paul Witt, Dale Hoffmeier, Eddie Ballen, Andy McMinimee, Clayton Ericson, Harley Godbersen, Larry Servoss, Richard Houlihan, Edward Macek, Lester Boettger, James Christensen, Leslie Schultz.

MANY activities of the junior class were reflected in the windows of the school during the year 1953-54. Starting early, they elected as class officers Mary Jo Siemer, president; Barry Moeller, vice-president; Jackie Trumbull, secretary; and Betty Wulf, treasurer. Later Patricia Solberg and James Munson were named to act on the Student Council.

The juniors added reflections on the sports window when Ed Bailen, Jim Christiansen, Darwin Heide, Byron Jacobsen, Jim Kregness, Bob Kruse, Andy McMinimee, Larry Zea, Larry Servoss, Bob Schraeder, Arlo Buck, Wayne Dozark, Jim Munson, and Dwayne Sturtevant made the athletic teams.

To spur the teams on to greater effort were Phyllis North, cheerleader, and Substitute Cheerleaders Mary Jo Siemer and Roxana Jedelev.

Jane Boeck, JoAnn Shields, and Pat Solberg made pretty reflections with their batons as they lead the Marching Band. Many other juniors were prominent in small instrumental and vocal groups. These included Phyllis Spiegel, Kay Newlon, Sharon Davis, Janice Jaacks, Larry Zea, Phyllis North, Mary Weed, Nancy Retman, Sandy Peterson, Sally Jewell, Susan Spieker, and Jane Boeck.

Under the direction of Mr. Harold Petersen, "Little Women" was presented by the class in the high school auditorium.

In early fall the juniors started the traditional task of raising money to sponsor the prom and banquet. Slave Day every junior was hired out to work for one of the town's people. Money so earned was put into the class treasury to use for the prom. Juniors also sponsored many after-game dances and took care of the refreshment stand during the basketball season to add funds.

Then came the prom. Couples attired in pastel formals and snappy suits strolled through an oriental garden and danced to the music of Jimmy Smith's orchestra.



THE sophomore class of "54" began casting their reflections on the year 1953-54 by electing Miriam Cole, Robert Brandt, Janice Brandenburg, and Karlyene Hohl as president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer respectively, to serve as their officers. Joleen Marquardt and Donald Aebischer were chosen to serve on the Student Council by this group.

Dale Siemer, Roger Jaacks, Melvin Savery, Charles Dixon, Richard Walker, Richard Suntken, Richard Clarey, Robert Brandt, Glen Bielfeldt, and Daryl Chapman reported for football practice, while Vickey Meece and James Tucker served as managers.

Sophomores who participated in basketball included C. Dixon, R. Brandt, R. Walker, R. Jaacks, M. Savery, R. Suntken and R. Clarey. Jesse McCullough and Dale Siemer served as managers here. R. Jaacks, R. Brandt, R. Walker and Clifford Hansen were also members of the track squad.

Cathy Holland, Sandra Maxwell and Karen Lee Hansen led the band as twirlers, while Darlene Timm won the coveted drum major spot.

Twenty-two sophomores—Darlene Timm, Janice Borgstahl, Miriam Cole, Phyllis Rhodes, Pat Groth, Alan Feddersen, Darrell Henningsen, Sandra Maxwell, Carolyn Hood, Lois Beerman, Marilyn Kuhl, Richard Walker, Donald Aebischer, Richard Wilson, Robert Denker, Libert Warren, James Tucker, Karen Lee Hansen, Sandra Jepsen and David Kruthoff participated in Concert and Marching Band.

Nine boys joined the Glee Club—R. Jaacks, R. Walker, M. Savery, C. Dixon, J. Tucker, J. McCullough, D. Aebischer, R. Brandt and D. Siemer. While L. Beerman, K. Hohl, J. Brandenburg, J. Christiansen, M. Cole, C. Holland, S. Maxwell, P. Groth, W. Gosch, R. Hall, A. Nicholas, J. Marquardt, M. Bertram, A. Reichert, C. Hood, D. Rabe, S. Thomsen, J. Kapfer, T. McCullough, R. Paulsen, J. Pruel, D. Smith, D. Timm, M. Kuhl, M. Walde and S. Coleman were members of the Girls Glee Club.

**First Row:** Left to right—Verdell Brus, Janice Borgstahl, Rose Johnson, Rose Ann Paulsen, Beverly Adams, Verla Heldt, Lois Beerman, Cathy Holland, Sandra Maxwell, Carolyn Hood, Sandra Jepsen, Darlene Timm, Miriam Cole, Rita Hall, Marilyn Kuhl, Phyllis Rhodes, Pat Groth, Karen Lee Hansen, Melroy Christiansen. **Second Row**—Dale Bretey, Darlene Petersen, Patricia Bolte, Sandra Kracht, Sharon Coleman, Ruby Slechta, Donna Carey, Norma Jean Petersen, Darlene Emge, Barbara McCold, Thea Olsen, Rosalie Siemer, Janice Kapfer, Joleen Marquardt, Anna Lueck, Arlene Reichert, Janice Preul. **Third Row**—Darold Sieck, Karen Meyer, Theresa McCullough, Sharon Thomsen, Margaret Lyman, Joan Heide, Rosalene Taylor, Wanda Gosch, Maxine Klink, Donna Smith, Arlene Schneller, Galen Mesenbrink, Marcella Christiansen, Ervin Lutz, Betty Malone, Janice Kahl, John Feddersen. **Fourth Row**—Jackie Jessen, Mary Bertram, Janice Brandenburg, Janet Christiansen, Marlene Walde, Karlyene Hohl, Karen Kay Hansen, Donella Rabe, Pauldria Pester, Raymond Schraeder, James Tucker, Robert Denker, Milford Lochmiller, Bette McClellan, David Kruthoff, Phyllis Crane, Robert Schneider, Clifford Hansen, Richard Walker. **Fifth Row**—Erwin Segebart, Richard Wilson, Alan Feddersen, LeRoy Sturtevant, Phil Jones, Roger Jaacks, Bill Knott, Libert Warren, Richard Clarey, Dale Siemer, Gene Collins, Donald Aebischer, Dennis Keating, Ray Zeimen, Vickey Meece, Glen Bielfeldt, Darrell Henningsen, Daryl Chapman. **Sixth Row**—Donald Kinney, Merle Ballantine, Earl Kahl, Wayne Zitzlsperger, Richard Schneider, Gene Quandt, Melvin Savery, Charles Dixon, Robert Brandt, Jesse McCullough, Dick Suntken, Roger Miller, Burnell Carstens, William Odefey, Donald Miller, Donald DeWitt, Charles Koch.







**First Row:** Left to right—Janice Rademacker, Shirley Gorman, Marilyn Crouse, Vernetta Hast, Patricia Vecera, Elizabeth McCullough, Bonnie Beymer, Geraldine Suntken, Marlene Peters, Lucille Comstock, Darlene Jeschke, Betty Feddersen, Rose Schlie, Donna Campbell, Shirley Nammann, Evelyn Segebart, Marlene Hollrah. **Second Row**—Joann Winans, Jane Gilchrist, Mary Leonard, Barbara Trumbull, Rozella Miller, Barbara Crane, Nancy Kortkamp, Barbara Schneller, Bonita Carstensen, Bernice Halterman, Ann McKeighan, Janet Behen, Patricia Van Arsdol, Sandra Mesenbrink, Joyce Blankenbaker, Delores Johnson, Elizabeth Blum, Dorothy Linderman. **Third Row**—Mary Jo Emge, Leroy Bretey, Margaret Holst, Evelyn Evers, Beverly Schroeder, Marilyn Evers, Bob Carstensen, Lorraine Krueger, Yvonne Vogt, Dayle Christiansen, Dick Stebbins, Clarence Rood, Myron Eggers, Louis Chandler, Henry Brus, Wayne Peters. **Fourth Row**—Lucille Chandler, Karen Britton, Wesley Henningsen, Delbert Sachau, Roberta Tolle, Robert Spiegel, Beverly Bertram, Carolyn Nemitz, Donna Cornelius, Sharon Kinney, Phyllis Riley, Joann Slechts, Barbara Lahr, Eugene Schiltz, Michael Champion, Lyle Munson, John Rabe, Jimmy Brink. **Fifth Row**—Sidney Aarestad, Bill Winey, Gail Wulf, Earl Justice, Alfred Lingle, Lee Harker, Billy Mesenbrink, Ed Hillhouse, Buddy Marten, Billy Poe, Jim Morrow, Billy Clark, Bob Poggensee, Dick Savery, Jim Ahrenholtz, Bob Rath. **Sixth Row**—Allen Lingle, Marvin Dixon, Art Olmstead, Larry Monaghan, Dale Millard, Don Beiersdorf, Lawrence Slater, Loren Thomsen, Carl Riley, Bob Peterson, Keith Duncan, Ross Johnson, Billy Kregness, Dennis Bergstadt, LeRoy Brensel, George Crouse, Rodger Steinkamp.

**L**EADING the class of 106 freshmen were Wayne Rood, president; Don Beiersdorf, vice-president; and Mary Leonard, secretary.

Twenty-two freshmen—D. Beiersdorf, Larry Monaghan, Ross Johnson, Keith Duncan, Loren Thomsen, Earl Justice, George Crouse, Lee Harker, Mike Champion, Louis Chandler, Bill Kregness, Dale Millard, Bob Petersen, Edward Hillhouse, Bill Mesenbrink, Gene Schiltz, John Rabe, Robert Spiegel, Richard Steffens, Roger Steincamp and Lawrence Slater—participating in sports.

Twenty-five freshmen took an active interest in the vocal music department including Janet Behen, Joyce Blankenbaker, Karen Britton, Lucille Chandler, Shirley Gorman, Marlene Hollrah, Dolores Johnson, Nancy Kortkamp, M. Leonard, Dorothy Linderman, Elizabeth McCullough, Ann McKeighan, Sandra Mesenbrink, Janice Rademaker, Rose Schlie, Evelyn Segebart, Jo Ann Slechts, Barbara Trumbull, Pat Van Arsdol, Joan Winans, M. Champion, Earl Justice, B. Kregness, Lyle Munsen and Gail Wulf.

Seven were members of the band—M. Leonard, K. Britton, Marilyn Crouse, J. Gilchrist, Pat Vecera, E. Justice and Lee Harker.

With their take off on "Dragnet", the freshmen won the year's skit contest sponsored by the Pep Club. Featured in the playlet were B. Trumbull, W. Rood, B. Martin, C. Rule and R. Johnson.

Drama club also seemed to generate a great deal of enthusiasm on the part of freshmen. Jane Gilchrist went as far as the Sub-State Declamatory contest in the field of interpretive reading. A. McKeighan, M. Leonard, S. Gorman, K. Britton, B. Trumbull, R. Miller, N. Kortkamp, P. Van Arsdol and P. Vecera were other active members of this club.

As the year passed, members of the freshman class cast increasingly important reflections in the pool of Denison High School life.



cal training department. One semester of driver's training was offered under the direction of Mr. Woodall.

In addition to the required subjects, a wide offering of enrichment subjects are offered in the curriculum of Denison High school.

Art, which was under the supervision of Mr. William Lewis, helps the individual to



understand himself and his surroundings through creative expression and forms an outlet for his emotions.

Business training is a general, elementary course in the handling of money wisely; such as setting up a budget, and buying and selling from the standpoint of a consumer.

Bookkeeping is a specialized course in the handling of ev-





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everyday business transactions and gives the student training in this field.

Economics is the study of how man makes a living and the problems involved.

Although in homemaking girls are taught the crafts such as sewing and cooking, the main purpose of the course is to help the girls have a more rounded personality.

Industrial Arts is a study of the skills in the use of the var-

ious hand and power tools in the fields of wood and metal and gives training in planning and crafts.

Journalism is the study of the fundamentals of gathering, reporting and writing news, and places as well some emphasis on the theory, principles, and functions of advertising and selling.

General Science gives the student an understanding of the world around him and develops the scientific method of solving problems.

Agriculture I, or farm shop, introduces general agriculture, shop skills, rope work, tool sharpening, building construction, forge work, and machine repair to the student just entering high school.

Animal Husbandry is the study of feeding, care, and judging of livestock, and other information dealing with the successful production of livestock on the farm.

Farm Crops deals with the study of soils, farm crops, horticulture, vegetables, and matters pertaining to the farm practices necessary for production.

Farm Management presents the student with problems in respect to farm leases, livestock and crop production, soil conservation, and agricultural economics as well as advanced shop work dealing with the construction of larger projects such as hog houses, wagon boxes, and machines.



Typing instructs the student in the mechanics and operation of a typewriter with special attention on technique and rhythm.

Shorthand includes a study of the principles and theories of the Gregg system with dictation and transcription of letters at various speeds.



# A Review of Student Activities

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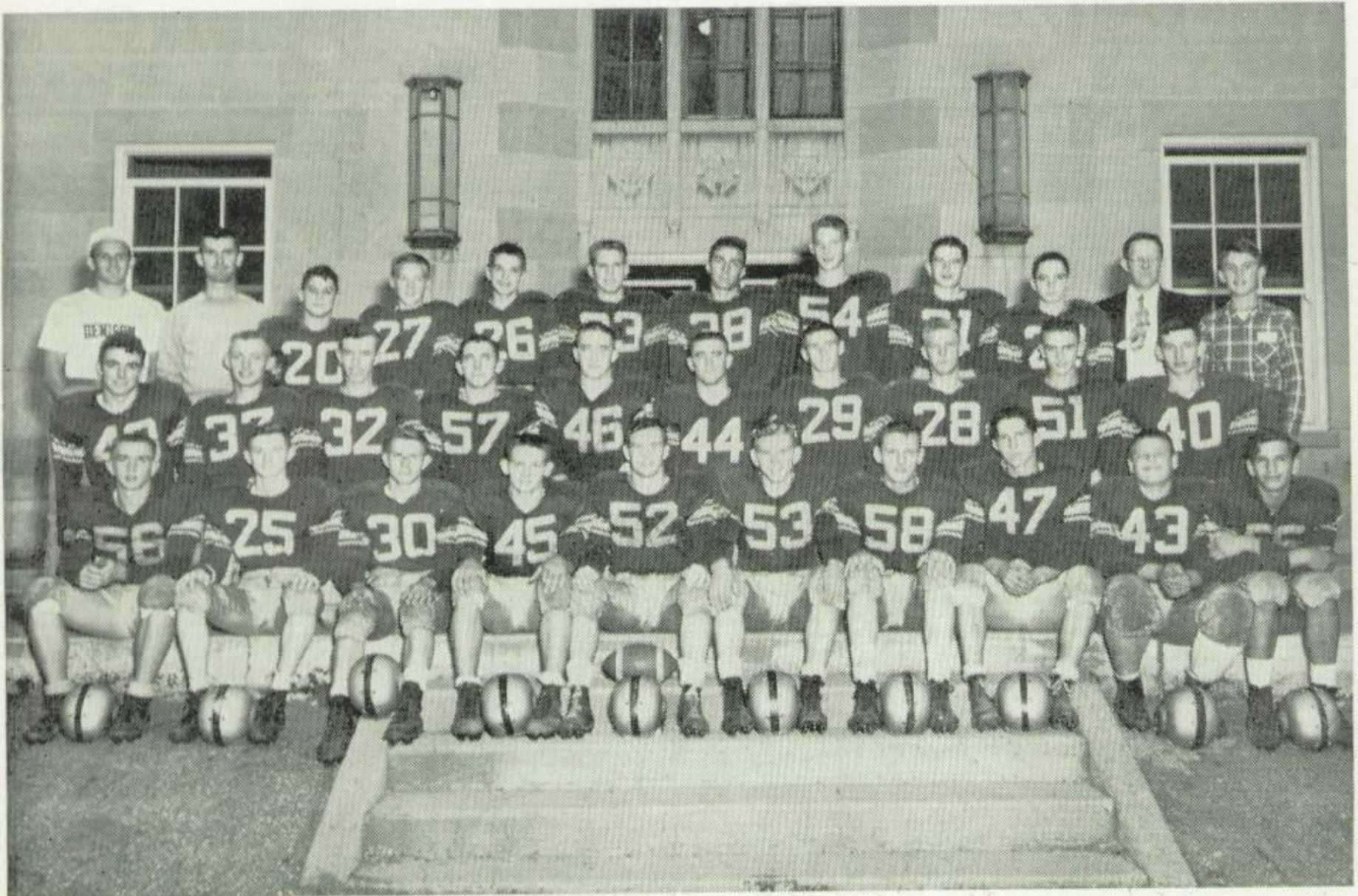
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Thanks To  
Ruth, Ware and  
their committee for  
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series of events.  
Mrs Woodall & all  
appreciate your  
**athletics**  
initiation.





... football 28 members



#### VARSITY SQUAD

**First Row:** Left to right — Andy McMinimee, Bob Clarey, Jerry O'Connor, Bruce Gary, John McMinimee, Bob Harder, Harlow Sievers, Don Beck, Jim Wearmouth, Ed Bailen. **Second Row**—Charles Dixon, Darwin Heide, Byron Jacobsen, Larry Servoss, Bob Kruse, Jim Kregness, Bob Brandt, Dick Suntken, Glen Bielfeldt, Bob Schraeder. **Third Row**—Coach Wendall Woodall, Coach Max Liggett, Dale Siemer, Roger Jaacks, Chuck Kock, Larry Zea, Daryl Chapman, Melvin Savery, Richard Walker, Rich Clarey, Principal Ernest Gustafson, Jim Tucker.

**R**EFLECTIONS cast during the 1953-54 football season were dim ones, for the Monarchs lost all their games.

Thirty-one gridsters reported out for practice under the direction of new coach, Max Liggett.

Seniors on the team were Don Beck, Bob Harder, John McMinimee, Jerry O'Connor, Harlow Sievers, Jim Wearmouth, Paul Olsen, Bob Clarey, Bruce Gary, and Bryce Winn. Juniors included Andy McMinimee, Bob Kruse, Jim Christensen, Byron Jacobsen, Larry Zea, Jim Kregness, who was named to the All-Conference team, Bob Schraeder, Larry Servoss, Darwin Heide, and Ed Bailen. Sophomores were Roger Jaacks, Bob Brandt, Richie Clarey, Dick Suntken, Dick Walker, Dale Siemer, Charles Dixon, Daryl Chapman, and Glen Bielfeldt.

The season got under way as Atlantic visited Denison and mauled them 32-13. Bob Brandt and Jerry O'Connor were the big guns for the Monarchs. Brandt passed to O'Connor for both touchdowns.

Denison then journeyed to Boone, only to lose again 26-6. Berry and Lind were the Toreador scorers.

The third game saw an improved Monarch team battle the Ida Grove Hawks, only to lose 26-0. Bob Brandt made



Denison's only threat as he intercepted a pass and raced 65 yards to the Hawk's 12 yard line.

An undefeated Logan team upset the Monarchs in a close one, 14-13. Bob Kruse scored the Monarch's first T. D. as he plowed over from 10 yards out. A few minutes later Bob Brandt took a bad pass from center and went around end to score.

Denison's Homecoming hopes were shattered by Carroll 39-6. The Monarchs were held scoreless until the fourth quarter when Brandt flipped a pass to Don Beck in the end-zone for their lone score.

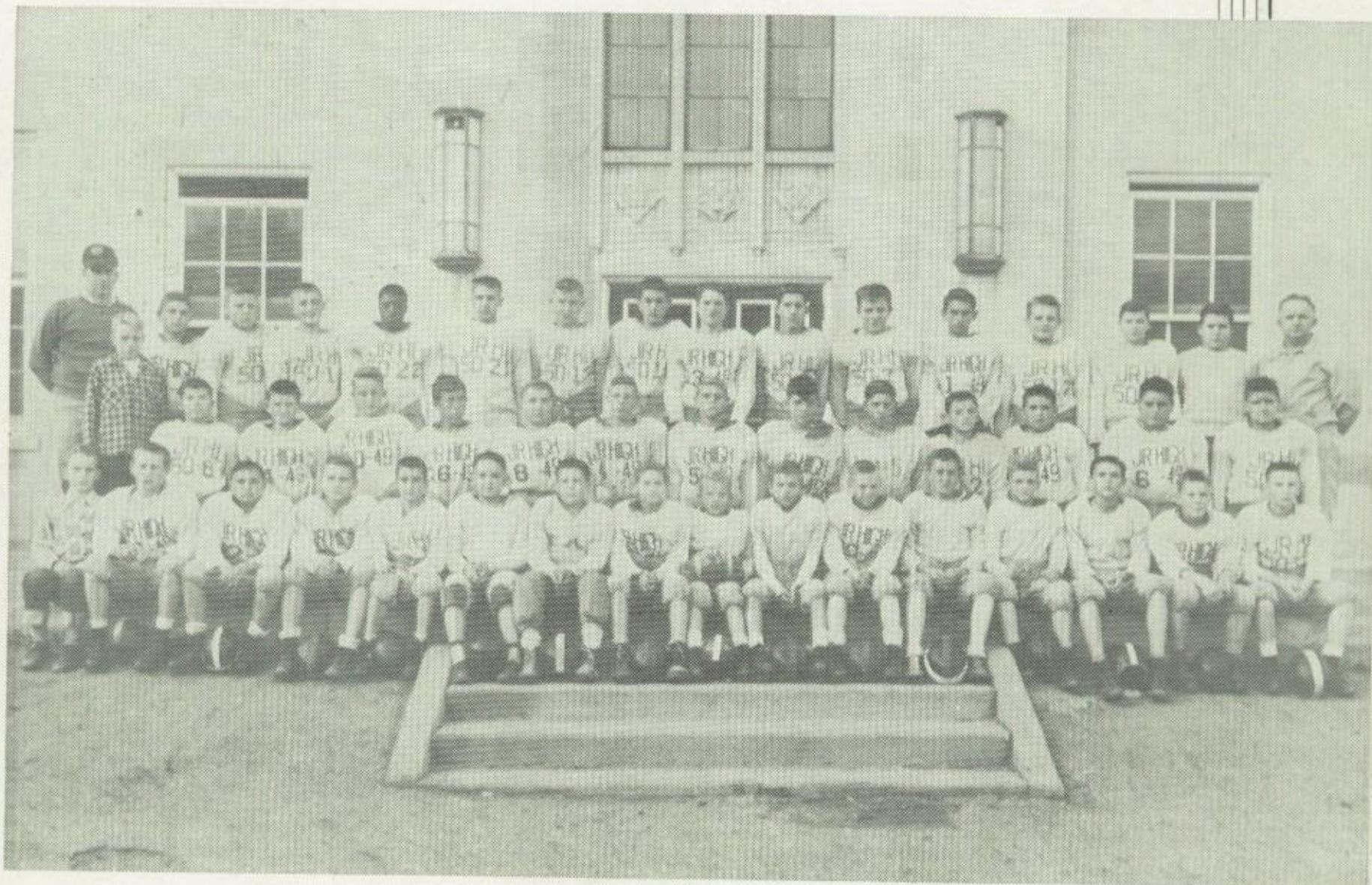
Sac City, the number one Class A team at the time, handed the Monarchs their third conference loss of the season blanking them 26-0. The Missouri Valley Big Reds also upset the Monarchs by another one-sided score 29-7. Dick Suntken scored Denison's only T. D. and also made the conversion good. The Big Red's star, Jim Frazier, was Denison's biggest threat.

The Jefferson Ramblers handed the Monarchs another defeat 20-7. Richie Clarey passed to Jim Kregness with only six seconds left, and Jim scored the lone T. D. of the evening.

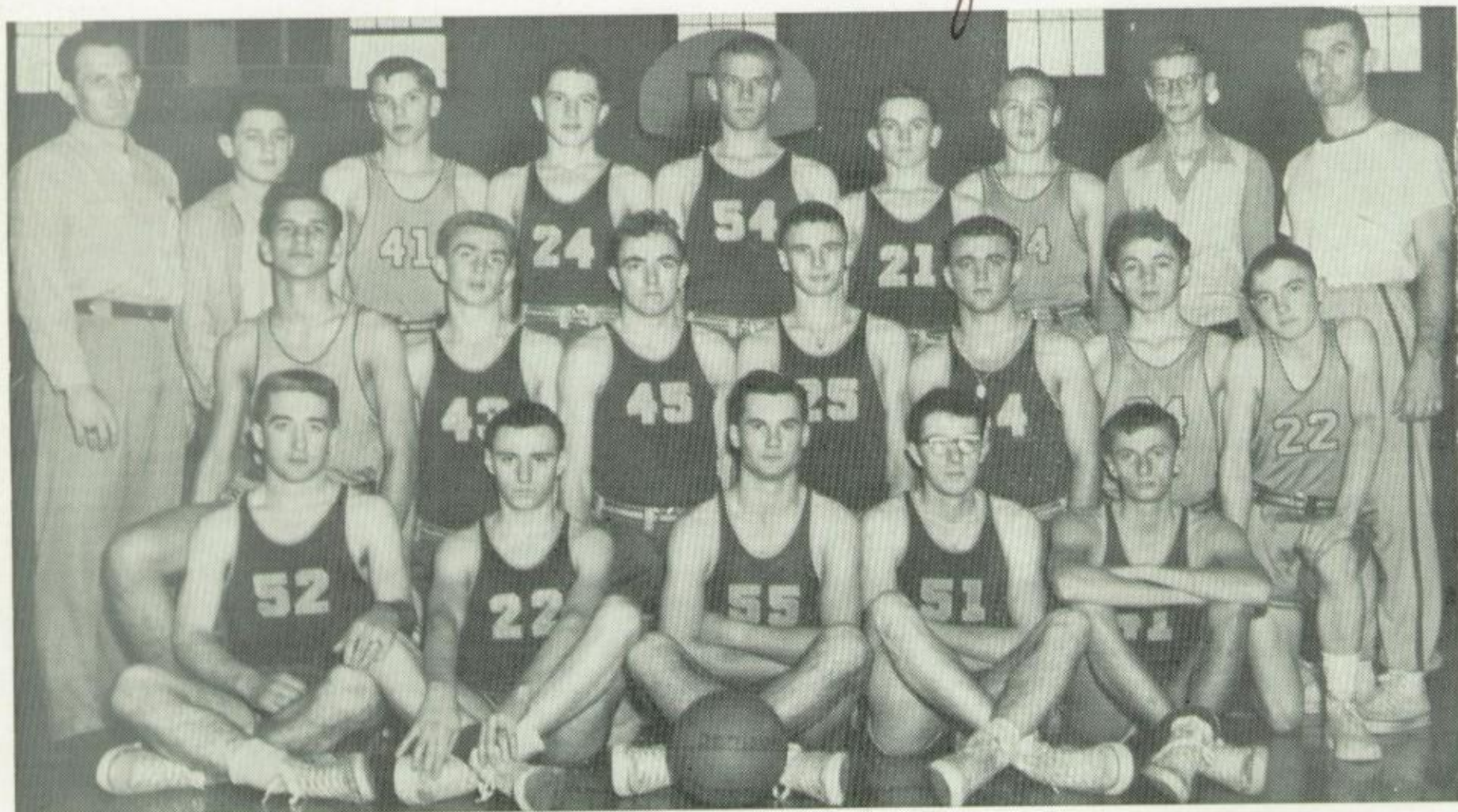
An inspired team of seniors, playing their last game, were handed a heart-breaking defeat by Harlan 26-7. The Cyclones were powered by Skip Louis. Richie Clarey flipped a short pass to Jim Kregness, who raced 47 yards to pay dirt, thus ending Denison's most dismal season of all time.

#### JUNIOR HIGH SQUAD

**First Row:** Left to right — Billy Monaghan, Jackie Naslund, Carl Fye, Gordon Gosch, Tom Koch, Sammy Deloria, Dennis Zea, Ernest Segebart, Jackie Bascom, Bobby Krapf, Frank Retman, Steve Jones, Warder Hillhouse, Eddie Millard, Gene Schiltz, Eddie Weiss. **Second Row:** Bob Pester, Lee Harker, Michael Champion, Larry Monaghan, Dick Stebbins, Eddie Van Bramer, John Walker, Cary Sievers, Larry Crouse, Paul Guyett, Eddie Hillhouse, Richard Dixon, Eddie Willroth, Bob Tibbetts. **Third Row:** Mr. Riek, Keith Duncan, Don Beiersdorf, Ross Johnson, Louis Chandler, Jim Davis, George Crouse, Marvin Dixon, Earl Justice, David Johnson, Dale Millard, Dennis Schraeder, Loren Thomsen, Bob Peterson, Richard Savery, Mr. Jacobs.







**First Row:** Left to right — Bob Kruse, Bob Brannon, Blair Baughman, Dan Hanigan, Dave Duncan. **Second Row** — Eddie Bailen, Andy McMinimee, Charles Dixon, Bob Brandt, Jim Kregness, Jim Munson, Richard Clarey. **Third Row** — Coach Wendall Woodall, Manager Dale Siemer, Dale Huebner, Dick Walker, Dick Suntken, Dwayne Sturtevant, Roger Jaacks, Manager Jesse McCullough, Assistant Coach Max Liggett.

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THE mirror of 1953-54 reflected a group of excited students gathered around the Victory Bell when the hardwood boys handed Missouri Valley a 39 to 35 loss on the home floor.

After a season of discouraging football results, hopes were high that the picture of the basketball season would prove a little brighter. In the following game, however, these hopes were abruptly halted when a fast Carroll team invaded the local gym and knocked the Monarchs for a 61 to 32 point loss.

Hopes became dimmer as Mapleton downed the Monarchs 47 to 38, Jefferson took their measure 51 to 42, and Sac City followed by beating them 51 to 38. The results of the next two games told the same story, as Manning and Ida Grove beat the local boys 54 to 45 and 45 to 32 respectively.

The surprise game of the season came when the Monarchs pushed over the Harlan Cyclones 42 to 38 for the only conference win of the year. In the Boone contest the Monarchs played a brilliant first half. However, Boone won the game 55 to 41. The following game with Logan was won by the boys in purple and gold, 55 to 31. The remainder of the season proved to be dismal for the home team.

In sectional play Denison pulled a surprise victory over a rough Manilla outfit by the score of 39-30 in what was considered one of the best games of the season. Two nights later when the team took on Manning, a new type of basketball was introduced. Coach Wendall Woodall, knowing that the Manning team had too much height and speed for the Monarchs, slowed the ball down and kept it away from Manning 28 of the total 32 minutes of play. Manning fans were hysterical. However, the Bulldogs finally won out 19-9.



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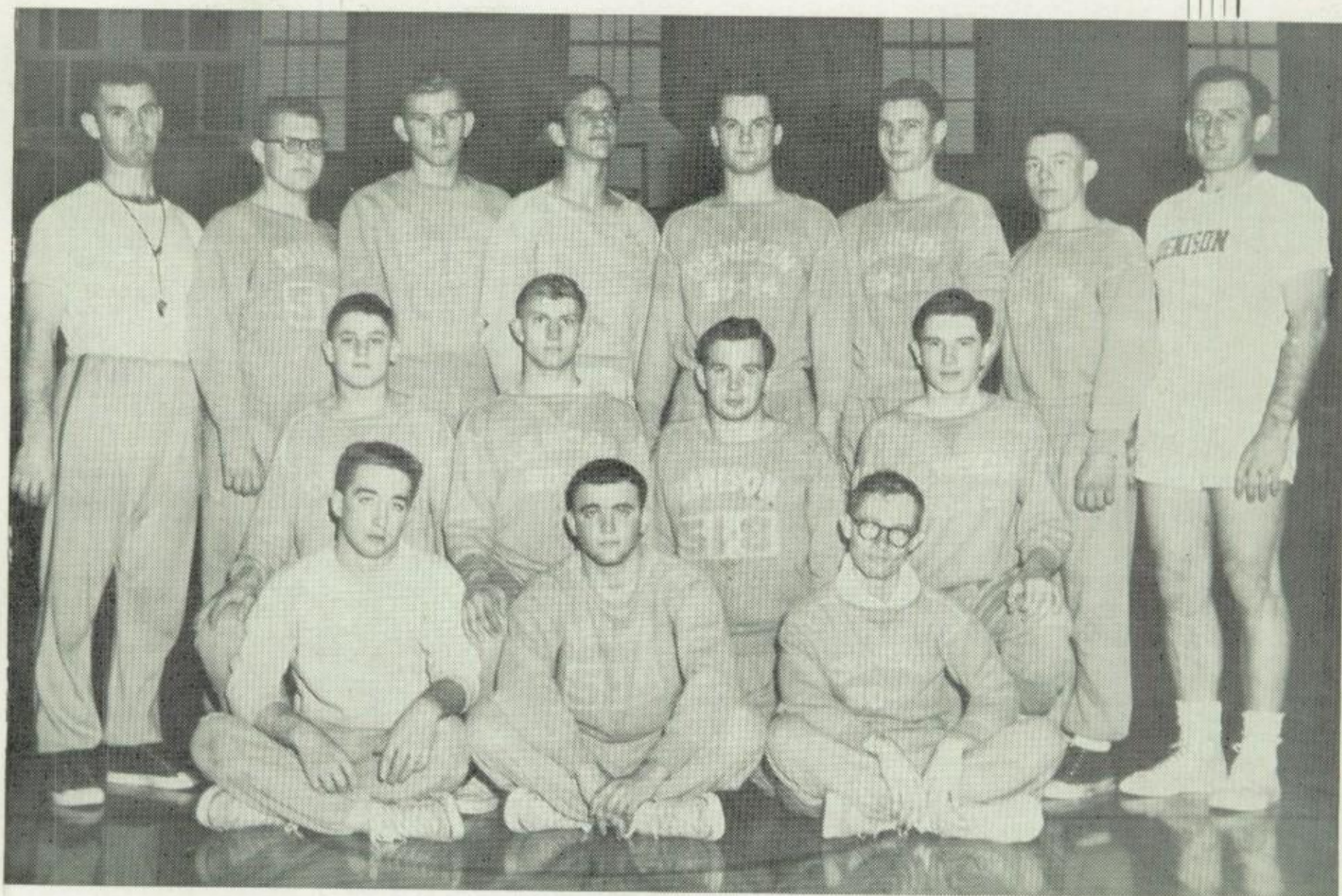
**R**EFLECTIONS in the windows of the gym in 1953-54 showed a squad of sixteen boys working out for track in early March.

The squad included five lettermen—Bruce Gary, who ran the 440 yard run and competed in sprint relays; Mickey Clarey, 100 yard dash and sprint relays; Jim Kregness, 440 yard run and sprint relays; Jerry O'Connor, 100 and 220 yard dashes and sprint relays, and Don Beck, distance relays, discus throw and football throw.

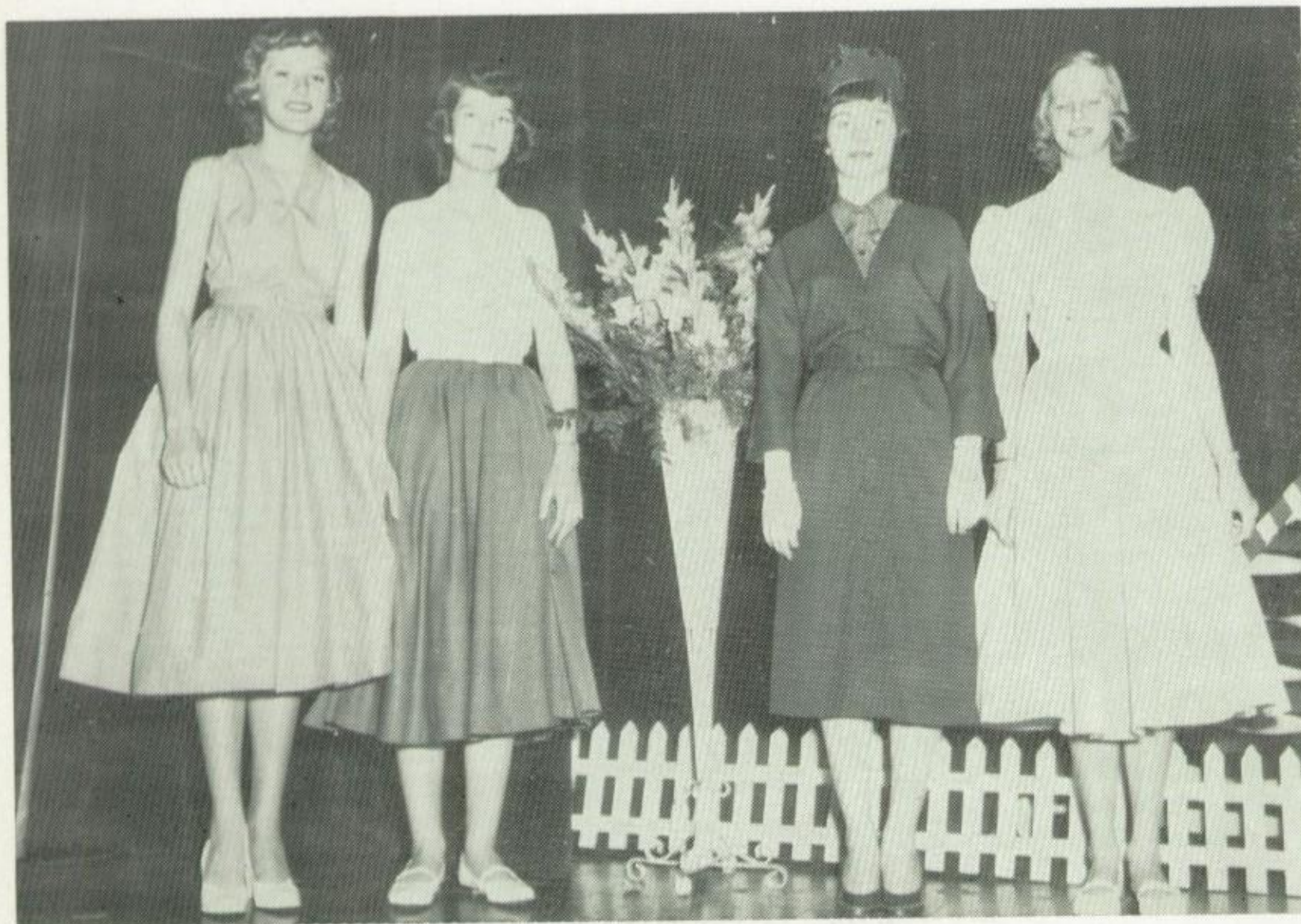
Along with these boys, John McMinimee specialized in the 880 yard run and distance relays; Dale Siemer, pole vault and distance relays; Paul Olsen, distance relays; Bob Harder, distance relays and football throw; Dick Walker, sprint relays, broad jump and hurdles; Bob Brandt, 120 yard low hurdles, 60 yard high hurdles, high jump and the mile run; Louis Chandler, sprint relays; Rich Clarey, sprint relays; Roger Jaacks, 880 yard run and distance relays; Bob Kruse, 880 yard relay, 440 yard run, shot put and discus; Andy McMinimee, 880 yard run, distance relays, and discus.

The schedule for the year included eight meets: Holstein Relays, April 9; Carroll Triangular, April 13; Onawa Relays, April 20; Carroll Relays, May 1; Sac City Relays, May 7; Midwest Conference at Carroll, May 11; Iowa Districts, May 14-15; and the Iowa State Meet, May 29.

**First Row:** Left to right — Bob Kruse, Jim Kregness, Mickey Clarey. **Second Row** — Dale Siemer, Jerry O'Connor, John McMinimee, Dick Walker. **Third Row** — Coach Max Liggett, Larry Zea, Bob Harder, Ed Bailen, Blair Baughman, Bob Brandt, Paul Olsen, and Coach Wendall Woodall.







Pictured above are: Evelyn Evers, Donna Campbell, Mary Michaelson, and Lorraine Krueger.

JUNIOR Mary Michaelson was chosen "Miss Denison" at the annual style review held April 22 in the high school auditorium. Lorraine Krueger, Donna Campbell, and Evelyn Evers were runners-up in this contest.

The four finalists were selected by their homemaking classes on the basis of sewing ability, accomplishments in the homemaking field, poise, and personal appearance.

Sports and beach wear, night wear, separates, clothing for others, sun dresses, suits and coats, blouses and skirts, dresses, and a formal were modeled by 80 girls in the review.

High school girls who took part included R. Miller, P. Van Arsdol, E. Evers, D. Jeschke, C. Nemitz, M. Peters, R. Schlie, Shirley Gorman, B. Halterman, A. McKeighan, B. Feddersen, B. Schroeder, B. Bertram, L. Krueger, J. Gilchrist, M. Brodersen, M. Hollrah, M. Holmes, V. Hast, S. Namanny, L. Comstock, K. Britton, M. Leonard, B. Keating, E. Segebart, J. Slechta, R. Tolle, N. Retman, R. Paulsen, C. Quandt, B. Lahr, B. Crane, D. Johnson, J. Borgstahl, I. Lorenzen, J. Kregness, C. Hood, L. Chandler, E. Blume, D. Linderman, S. Mesenbrink, J. Behen, P. Carstensen, M. Bolte, J. Slechta, T. Hanrahan, D. Mattson, M. Holst, B. Carstensen, D. Campbell, M. Siemer, J. Hinz, B. Adams, M. McGee, D. Kahl, B. Keating, M. Michaelson, J. Blankenbaker, P. Retman, A. Schurke, J. Kapfer, B. Quandt, P. Vecera, T. Olsen, S. Kinney, E. McCullough, R. Eggers, N. Kortkamp, R. Kracht, M. Crouse, B. Trumbull, G. Suntken, I. Lorenzen, R. Johnson, D. Cornelius, P. Riley, B. Beymer and J. Winans.



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#### TWIRLERS

Left to right—Pat Solberg, JoAnn Shields, Cathy Holland, Darleen Timm, Drum Majorette, Karen Lee Hansen, Jane Boeck, Sandra Maxwell.

FOLLOWING the summer concerts given by the Denison High School Concert Band, the Marching band under the direction of Luman Colton started practicing for the season ahead. Darleen Timm became the new drum majorette. Twirlers were Karen Lee Hansen, Cathy Holland, JoAnn Shields, Sandra Maxwell, Pat Solberg, and Jane Boeck.

The Marching Band enlivened the home football games with their snappy marching and playing, and they produced a colorful spectacle, enhanced by the addition of new twirler uniforms and flags. The band participated in Atlantic's Fireman's Parade, marched in the parade opening the Community Chest Drive, Homecoming Parade, Legion Convention Parade; journeyed to Ames to perform between halves of the South Dakota-Iowa State football game, and Veisha, and to Popcorn day in Ida Grove.

At the Preliminary Marching Band contest held in Sac City, Oct. 17, twirlers JoAnn Shields and Jane Boeck, and Janice Jaacks,



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**FLUTE QUARTET**

Left to right—Sandra Jepsen, Darleen Timm, Sharon Davis, Mary Leonard.



**TRUMPET TRIO**

Left to right—Phyllis Spiegel, Richard Wilson, I. Aebischer.



**SAXOPHONE SEXTET**

Left to right—Lois Beerman, Marilyn Savery, Richard Walker, Patsy Ruch, Marilyn Kuhl, Ruth Ann Timm.



**TROMBONE QUARTET**

Left to right—Libert Warren, Hugo Denker, Bud Welch, Bob Denker.



**WOODWIND QUINTET**

Left to right — Betty Wulf, Patty Vecera, Virg. Dobler, Darleen Timm, Sally Jewell.





Phyllis Spiegel, Don Aebischer, Baughman, Donald Jensen, Carl Petersen, Dennis Zea, Virginia L. **Fourth Row**—Luman Colton, an, Arnold Rabe, Dennis Berg-Hansen, Kay Newlon, Jane Gil-Paul Witt, Earl Justice, Karen John McMinimee, Bob Denker,

were: Hugo Denker, vice-president; and treasurer. The council Kay Newlon, Miriam and Sue Ann Moffitt.



rd Wilson, Jim Hansen, Blair y Wegner. French Horn—Sara ersen, Dennis Zea, Lois Beer-er, John McMinimee, Bud Welch, ice, Paul Witt. Tuba—Arnold ad. Bass Drum—Jim Tucker. Tenor Drum—Nancy Norman, rist, Eddie Weiss, Kay Newlon, r. Bells—Janice Jaacks, Mary

Three band members—Marilyn Savery, Arnold Rabe, and Bob Denker, were chosen to play in All State band.

Concerts were given for the grade school children, Christmas Vesper Program, and Band Boosters card party. An exchange concert was presented at Harlan, and the annual "Pops" concert was given on Jan. 17, featuring the 15 piece Dance band and a trombone solo by Hugo Denker.

Nine of the thirteen instrumental ensembles and thirteen of the twenty solo events, entered in the Preliminary State Music contest for solo and ensembles held here April 9th and 10th, received Division I ratings.

The groups who won firsts include Trombone Quartet, Flute Quartet, Saxophone Quartet, Clarinet Quartet, Brass Sextet, Clarinet Trio, Chamber Group of Brass, Saxophone Sextet, and Drum Ensemble.

Instrumental soloists who won first honors were Hugo Denker, trombone; Bob Denker, trombone; Bud Welch, trombone; Phyllis Spiegel, cornet; Don Aebischer, cornet; Darlene Timm, flute; Lois Beerman, tenor sax; Jane Gilchrist, snare drum; Arnold Rabe, tuba; Nancy Norman, violin; Nancy Norman, string bass; Marilyn Savery, alto sax; Larry Zea, baritone (horn); and Jean Harker, piano.

These events were eligible to compete in the Western Iowa contest to be held April 30th and May 1st at Perry, Iowa, while the Concert Band as a whole competed in the large group contest, May 8, at Harlan, Iowa. The selections played were "Marche Militaire Francaise" and "Universal Judgment."



# 69 Concert Band



## CONCERT BAND

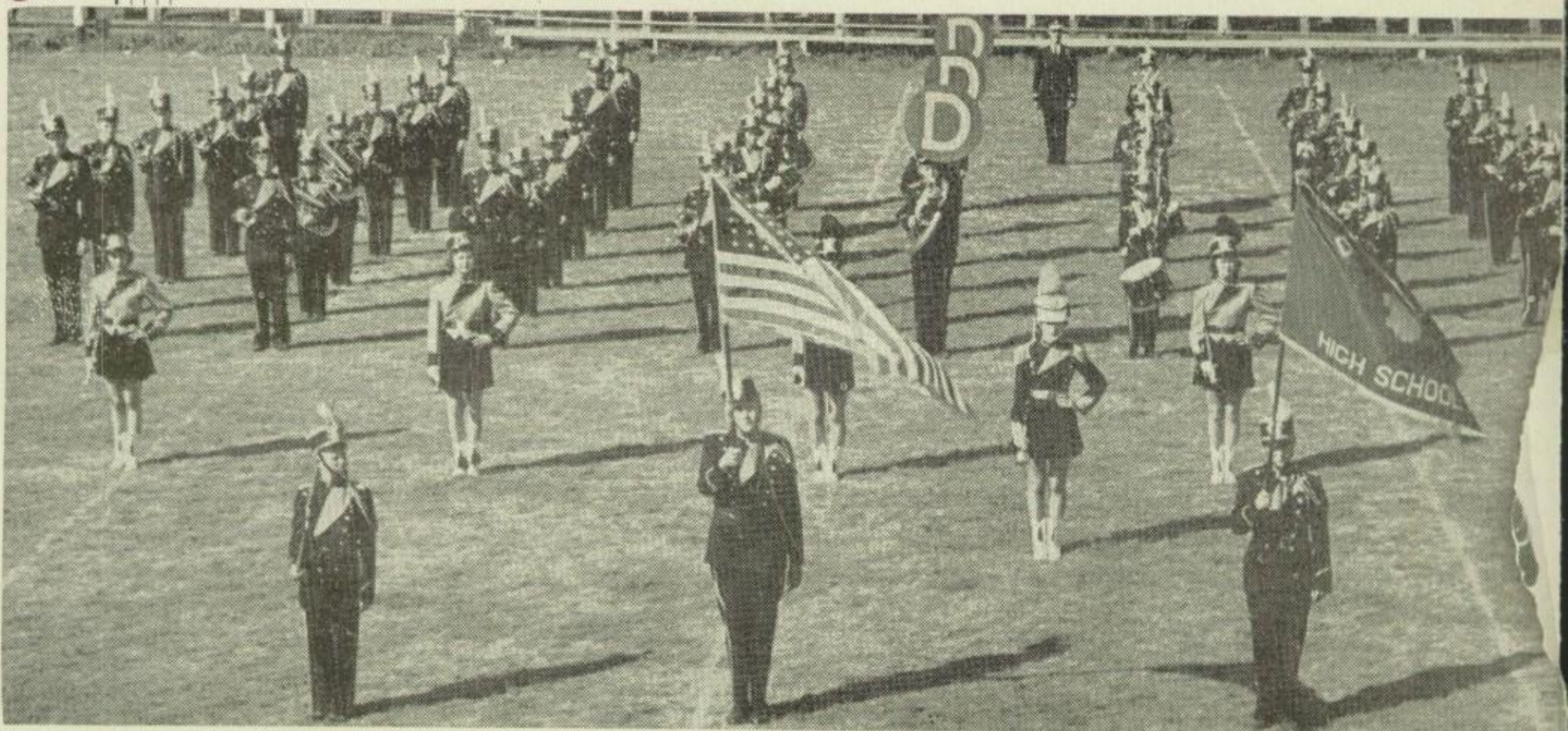
**First Row:** Left to right — Betty Wulf, Miriam Cole, Phyllis Rhodes, Pat Groth, Carolyn Hood, Sally Jewell, Janice Borgstahl, Joan Welch, Mary Leonard, Sandra Jepsen, Sharon Davis, Darleen Timm. **Second Row**—Jackie Grill, Dianne Grill, Alice Bowen, Jean Welch, David Kruthoff, Sara Gilchrist, Patty Vecera, Janice Jaacks, Dick Walker, Lois Beerman, Marilyn Kuhl, Sue Ann Moffitt, Ruth Ann Timm, Patsy Ruch, Marilyn Savery. **Third Row**—Eddie Van Bramer, Alan Feddersen, Lee Harker, Marilyn Crouse, Diane How-

orth, Sandra Stender, Judy Morrow, Richard Wilson, Jim Mansen, Blair Fye, Billy Wegner, Larry Zea, Chris Dobler, Pat Solberg, Sandra Maxwell. **Director:** Jean Harker, Nancy Normstadt, Sidney Aarestad, Karen Lee Christ, Nancy Raun, Eddie Weiss, Britton, Libert Warren, Bud Welch, Hugo Denker.

bell lyre player, along with the Twirling Ensemble received I ratings.

After the close of the marching season, Concert band practice began. Band officers and a Band Council were elected at this time.

The band officers chosen president; Larry Zea, Betty Wulf, secretary-tr included Bud Welch, F Cole, Dennis Bergstadt,



## MARCHING BAND

**Drum Major**—Darleen Timm. **Twirlers**—Pat Solberg, JoAnn Shields, Cathy Holland, Karen Lee Hansen, Jane Boeck, Sandra Maxwell. **Color Guard**—Kenneth Hutcheson, Dale Hoffmeier, David Kruthoff, Tom Koch. **Flute**—Sharon Davis, Sandra Jepsen, Joan Welch, Janice Borgstahl. **Clarinet**—Miriam Cole, Betty Wulf, Pat Groth, Phyllis Rhodes, Alan Feddersen, Lee Harker, Dianne Grill, Jean Welch, Jackie Grill, Alice Bowen, Diane Howorth, Sandra Stender, Marilyn Crouse, Judy Morrow, Eddie Van Bramer. **Alto Sax**—Marilyn Savery, Patsy Ruch, Ruth Ann Timm, Sue Ann Moffitt. **Tenor Sax**—Marilyn Kuhl. **Baritone Sax**—Dick Walker. **Cornet**

—Phyllis Spiegel, Don Aebischer, Richard Baughman, Donald Jensen, Carl Fye, Bill Gilchrist. **Baritone**—Larry Zea, Chris Peterson. **Trombone**—Hugo Denker, Bob Denker, Libert Warren, Karen Britton, Earl Just Rabe, Dennis Bergstadt, Sidney Aarestad. **Cymbals**—Sally Jewell, Virginia Dobler, Virginia Shields. **Snare Drum**—Jane Gilchrist, Nancy Raun, Carolyn Hood, Janice Klink Leonard.





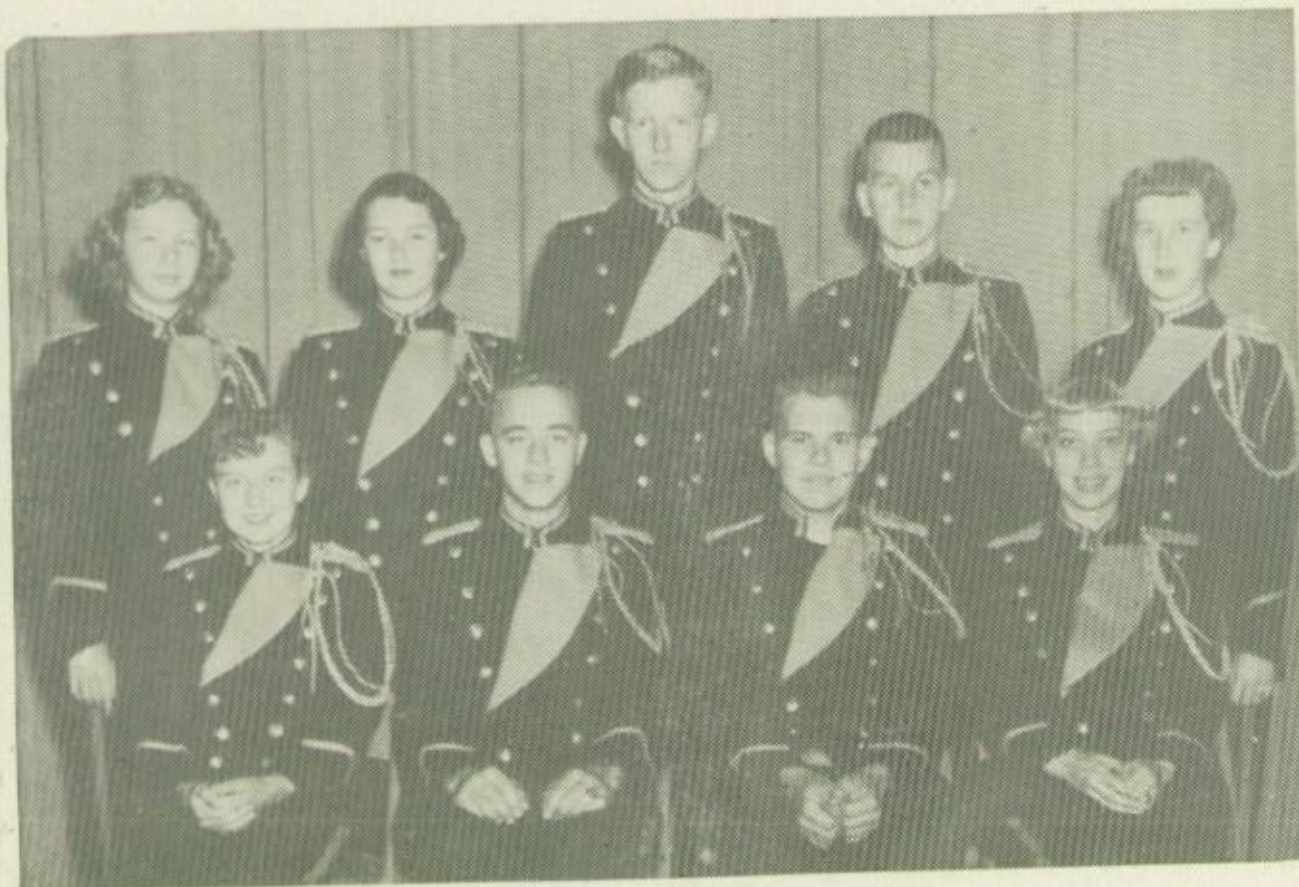
#### BRASS SEXTET

Left to right—Phyllis Spiegel, Don Aebischer, Arnold Rabe, John McMinimee, Larry Zea, Janice Jaacks.



#### CLARINET QUARTET

Left to right—Betty Wulf, Miriam Cole, Pat Groth, Phyllis Rhodes.



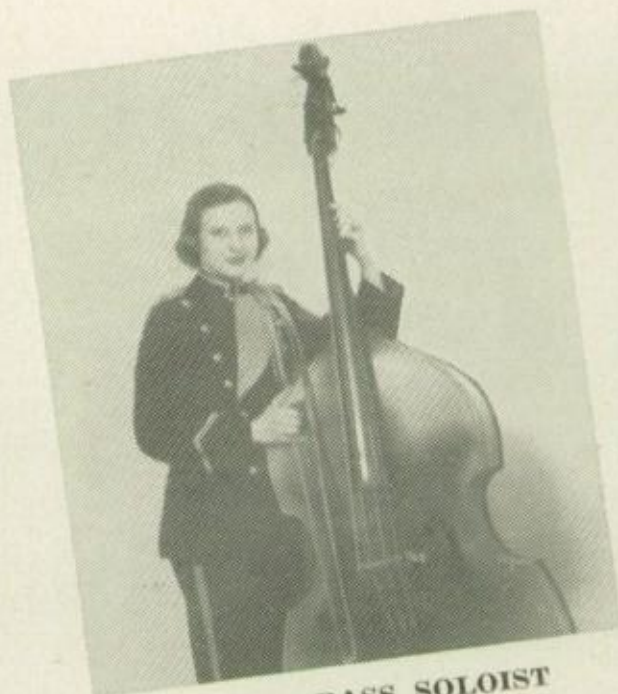
#### BAND OFFICERS AND COUNCIL

Seated, Left to right—Betty Wulf, Hugo Denker, Larry Zea, Marilyn Savery.  
Standing, Left to right—Sue Ann Moffitt, Kay Newlon, Bud Welch, Dennis Bergstadt, Miriam Cole.



#### DRUM ENSEMBLE

Left to right—Nancy Raun, Kay Newlon, Karen Lee Hansen, Jane Gilchrist, Eddie Weiss.



#### STRING BASS SOLOIST

Nancy Norman





As the first weeks passed, vocal students began rehearsing for All-State chorus. Those who were selected to sing in Des Moines were Amy Crane, Jean Harker, Sharon Davis, Darleen Timm, Earl Justice, Jim Tucker, Larry Zea and Frank Brown.

As the Christmas season rolled around, the vocal department started to work on a "Vesper Program." Here the Mixed Chorus showed its music ability as it interpreted "Bethlehem Road," "When De Star Shines," and "Old Fashioned Tree." Girls' Glee Club sang "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen," "In Dulci Jubilo," and "Away in the Manger." "Shepherds Awake" and "Birthday of a King" were songs presented by the Boys' Glee Club. The Vesper Choir thrilled the audience with "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and "Joy to the World." Madrigal sang "Joyous Christmas Song," while the Double Mixed Quartet sang "Guiding Star Carol" and "Good News From Heaven."

Frank Brown, Larry Zea, Phil Kapfer, and Bud Welch, making up Boys' Quartet, sang "Hills of Bethlehem."

A girls' trio, which included Jean Harker, Nancy Norman, and Nancy Retman sang "In the Hush of the Afternoon," and the Sophomore Girls' Quartet presented "Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabelle." "Come to the Stable with Jesus" and "Mary's Lullaby" were interpreted by the Girls' Sextet, while "He Shall Feed His Flock," a solo, was sung by Nancy Retman,

As the year came to a close, soloists and small groups began preparing for the Preliminary State contest held here. Those who received Division I ratings and the right to compete at State Contest were Patsy Retman, Amy Crane, Phyllis North, Sharon Davis, Nancy Retman, Frank Brown and Larry Zea. The ensembles who went on to the State Contest were Madrigal, Boys' Double Quartet, Boys' Quartet, Girls' Quartet, Girls' Sextet, Girls' Trio, Girls' Trio II, and Mixed Quartet.

May 8th the Mixed Chorus and Glee Clubs also made a fine appearance at the Large Group contest in Harlan.

**First Row**—Roxana Jedelee, Phyllis Rhodes, Carolyn Hood, Ann Nicholas, Cathy Holland, Amy Crane, Nancy Norman, Phyllis North, Patsy Retman, Jane Boeck, Sandra Maxwell, Jean Harker, Darleen Timm, Mary Weed, Sally Jewell, Patricia Solberg, Kay Newlon, Mariam Cole, Sally Johnson, Sandra Petersen, Nancy Retman, JoAnn Schraeder, Patricia Groth, JoAnn Shields. **Second Row**—Janice Hill, Wanda Gosh, Marietta Guyette, Janice Hinz, Rita Hall, Wanda Hillhouse, Karen Britton, Gail Wulf, Earl Justice, James Tucker, Dale Siemer, Don Aebischer, Dick Kapfer, Larry Zea, Larry Servoss, Arnold Rabe, Marilyn Savery, Sally Behen, Mary Leonard, Janet Christensen, Lois Beerman, and Karlyene Hohl. **Third Row**—Beverly Keating, Pat Bolte, Judy Kregness, Virginia Shields, Joyce Blankenbaker, Janice Jaacks, Sharon Davis, Bud Welch, Hugo Denker, Francis Brown, Dick Walker, Jesse McCullough, Bob Kruse, John McMinimee, Phil Kapfer, Dick Runge, Jack Revers, Susan Spieker, Marilyn Kuhl, Jackie Trumbull, Karen Lee Hansen.





#### GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

**First Row:** Left to right — Nancy Norman, Roxana Jedelee, Phyllis Rhodes, Carolyn Hood, Cathy Holland, Amy Crane, Phyllis North, Patricia Retman, Jane Boeck, Sandra Maxwell, Jean Harker, Darleen Timm, Mary Weed, Sally Jewell, Patricia Solberg, Miriam Cole, Sally Johnson, Nancy Retman, Jo Ann Schraeder, Karlyene Hohl, Jo Ann Shields, Sandy Peterson, Miss Esther Oppedahl. **Second Row**—Janice Hill, Wanda Hillhouse, Judy Kregness, Beverly Keating, Bette McClellan, Kay Newlon, Sharon Davis, Janice Jaacks, Janet Behen, Elizabeth McCullough, Janice Hinz, Rita Hall, Carolyn Hood, Janet Christiansen, Patricia Groth, Susan Spieker, Mary Leonard, Joyce Servoss, Marilyn Savery, Lois Beerman, Marilyn Kuhl, Jackie Trumbull. **Third Row**—Ann Nicholas, Gertrude Reichert, Mariette Guyette, Kathryn Duncan, Patricia Robbins, Donna Smith, Joyce Blankenbaker, Virginia Shields, Barbara Trumbull, Dorothy Linderman, Karen Lee Hansen, Mary Bertram, Marilyn Wingrove, Sally Behen, Roberta Kracht, Arlene Reichert, Nancy Mohr, Mary Jo Siemer. **Fourth Row**—Ann McKeighan, Wanda Gosch, Patricia Bolte, Janice Brandenburg, Janice Rood, Rosemarie Schlie, Maxine Klink, Theresa McCullough, Delores Johnson, Shirley Gorman, Patricia Van Arsdol, Anna Lueck, Bernadeen Quandt, Sandra Mesenbrink, Mary Michaelson, Marilyn Walde, Sharon Coleman, Rose Ann Paulsen, Colleen Quandt, Janice Quade.

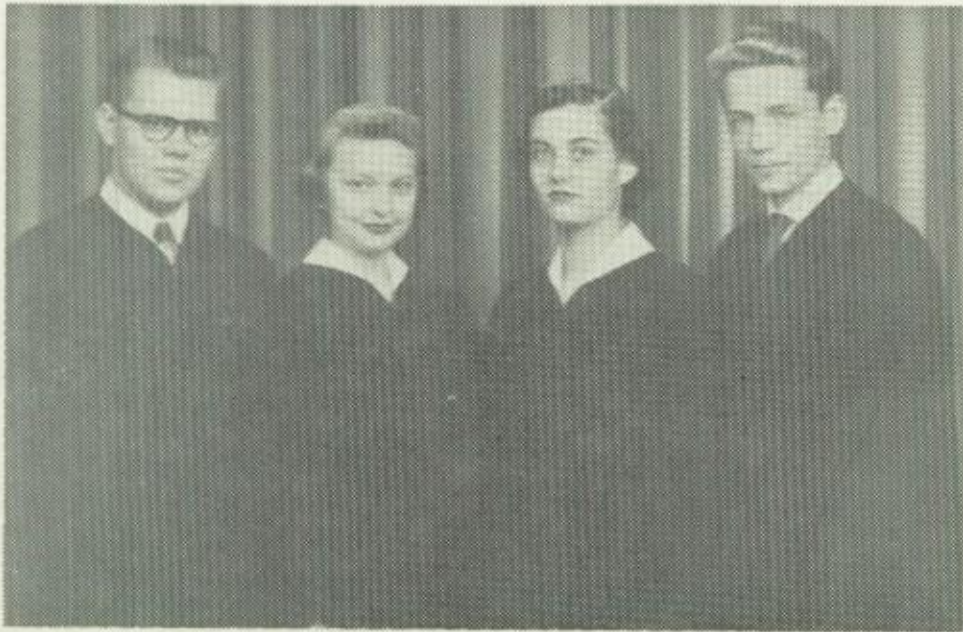


#### BOYS' GLEE CLUB

**First Row:** Left to right—Michael Champion, Dale Siemer, Jim Tucker, Earl Justice, Richard Kapfer, Dale Zea, Larry Servoss, Arnold Rabe, Roger Jaacks. **Second Row** — Dick Walker, Hugo Denker, Andy McMinimee, Frank Brown, Jack Goesser, Dick Runge, Phil Kapfer, John McMinimee, Bob Kruse. **Third Row**—Dwayne Sturtevant, Gail Wulf, Bill Kregness, Jesse McCullough, Melvin Savery, Bob Brandt, Jack Revers, Charles Dixon, Don Aebischer.



## vocal groups . . .

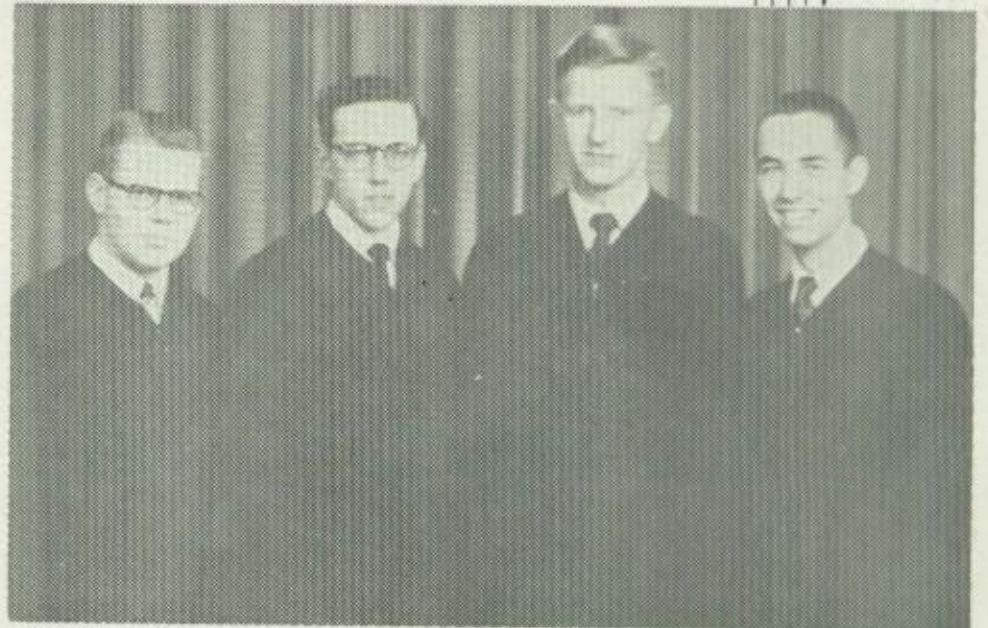


### MIXED QUARTET

Left to right — Larry Zea, Nancy Retman, Jean Harker, Dick Kapfer.

### BOYS' QUARTET

Left to right—Larry Zea, Phillip Kapfer, Earl Welch, Francis Brown.



### BOYS' OCTET

**First Row:** Left to right — Jim Tucker, Dick Kapfer, Larry Zea, Frank Brown. **Second Row**—Arnold Rabe, Hugo Denker, Earl Welch, Phillip Kapfer.

### GIRLS' QUARTET

Left to right—Marilyn Savery, Sandra Petersen, Sharon Davis, Nancy Norman.





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## **MADRIGAL**

**First Row:** Left to right — Sally Johnson, Sandra Peterson, Phyllis North, Amy Crane. **Second Row—** Jim Tucker, Hugo Denker, Darleen Timm, Jean Harker, Larry Zea, Arnold Rabe.

## **GIRLS' SEXTET**

Left to right—Sally Johnson, Sally Jewell, Phyllis North, Patsy Retman, Mary Weed, Nancy Retman.

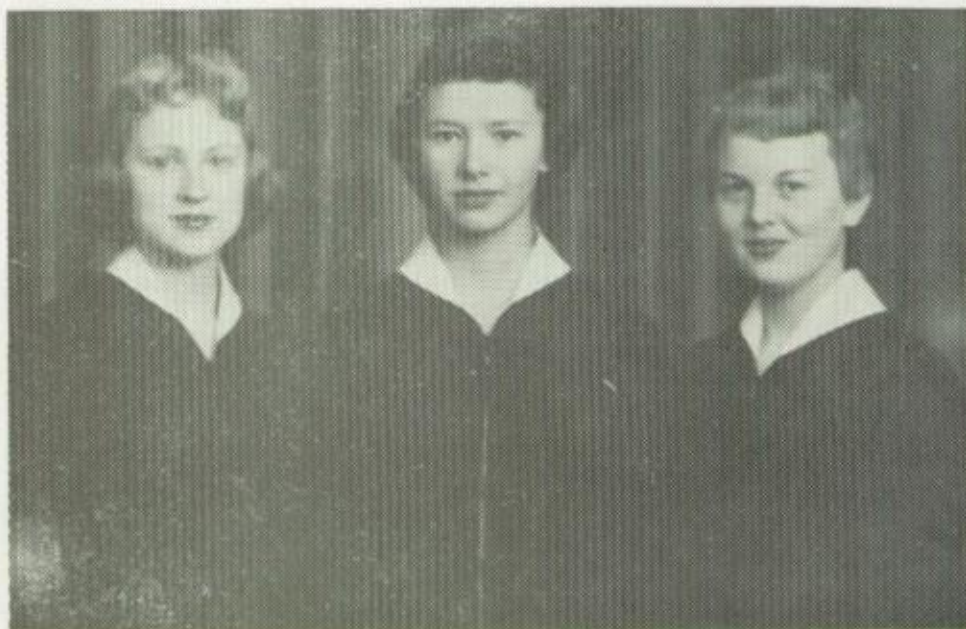


## **GIRLS' TRIO I**

Left to right — Nancy Retman, Patsy Retman, Jean Harker.

## **GIRLS' TRIO II**

Left to right—Mary Weed, Darleen Timm, Sally Jewell.





## junior play . . .



Left to right—Phyllis North, Sally Jewell; Dale Huebner, JoAnn Shields; Andy McMinimee, Mary Weed, James Munson, Dianne Grill.

voiced family lady; Sharon Davis as Mrs. March or Marmee, the affectionate mother; JoAnn Shields as Aunt March, a peppery old fashioned lady, and Diane Grill as the kindly maid.

In the masculine leads were Dale Huebner as John Brooks, a serious minded young man, who wins Meg's love; and Jim Munson as Laurie, a good-looking neighbor, who tries to win Jo's affection, but later falls in love



Left to right—James Munson, Dale Huebner, Robert Kruse, Andy McMinimee.

THE evening of November 16, 1953, the windows of the high school auditorium reflected the familiar scenes of the play "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott. This heart warming story was presented by the junior class under the direction of Mr. Harold Petersen, new drama director.

Starring in this production were Phyllis North as Jo, the oldest and the tomboy of the family; Sally Jewell as Meg, the prettiest of the March sisters; Mary Jane Weed as Amy, a most important person in her own opinion; Pat Solberg as Beth, shy-mannered, timid-



Left to right—Sally Jewell, Sharon Davis, Mary Weed, Phyllis North, Patricia Solberg.

with Amy. Bob Kruse played the part of Mr. Lawrence, kindly grandfather of Laurie, and Andy McMinimee interpreted Professor Bhaer, lovable German professor with whom Jo falls in love.

Timing of the production was smooth, the stage pictures created were lovely, and the atmosphere of the Civil War period created in the first scene was sustained throughout the entire play. All these factors, so often missing in the average high school play, showed evidence of competent coaching on the part of the director.





**First Row:** Left to right — Donna Lueck, Virginia Shields, Jean Harker, Pat Retman, Janice Hill. **Second Row**—Miss LaVerne Shannon, Dick Kapfer, Marilyn Savery, Bradley Tate, Blair Baughman, Jack Goesser, Hugo Denker.

**M**EMBERS of the senior play cast recreated the reflections of a home for the mentally incompetent in the three-act comedy, "The Curious Savage".

The play was directed by Miss LaVerne Shannon and featured Jean Harker in the leading role, as Mrs. Savage, an eccentric millionaire, who had trouble with her money-hungry children.

The children included Titus, a United States senator, played by Jack Goesser; Samuel, an undistinguished judge, portrayed by Hugo Denker; and Lily Bell, a spoiled daughter who had been divorced six times, was played by Patsy Retman.

Marilyn Savery characterized Miss Wilhelmina, the attractive nurse at the Cloisters, while Blair Baughman was cast as Dr. Emmett, head physician and manager of the home.

Guests at "The Cloisters" were played by Virginia Shields, cast as Florence, a young woman given to elegant mannerisms, and Bradley Tate as Hannibal, a violinist, whose playing consisted of just two notes. Janice Hill played Fairy May, a sweet young thing who wanted to be loved by all, and Dick Kapfer played the role of Jeffery, a handsome, dignified young man. Mrs. Paddy, a grouchy, middle aged woman who had given up conversation for life, was played by Donna Lueck.

Mrs. Savage, who is committed to the institution by her children, is far from insane, and the supposedly weak minded patients show much logic in their opinions on problems of the day.



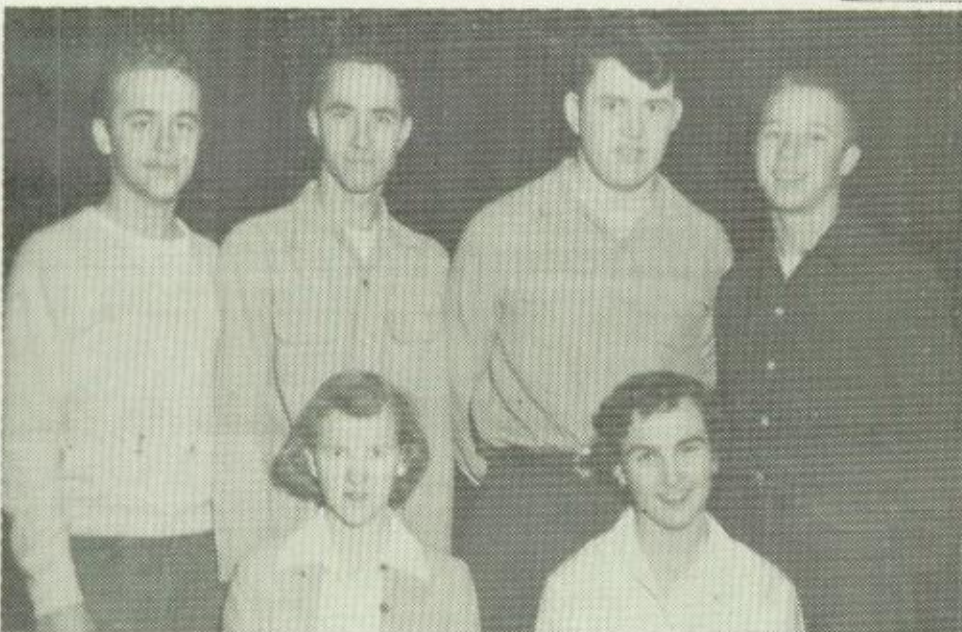
## declamatory . . .

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Left to right—Mary Weed, Joleen Marquardt, Jack Goesser, Phyllis North, Virginia Shields, Jane Gilchrist.

Left to right—JoAnn Shields, Harlow Sievers, Janice Hinz, Eddie Bailen, Roxana Jedele, Dick Kapfer.



**First Row:** Left to right—Marilyn Walde, Phyllis North. **Second Row—**Hugo Denker, Frank Brown, Bradley Tate, Wayne Dozark.

**First Row:** Left to right — Donna Lueck, Joleen Marquardt, JoAnn Shields. **Second Row—**Dwayne Sturtevant, Frank Brown, Wayne Dozark.





THE Drama Club, which was sponsored by Miss La Verne Shannon and Mr. Harold Petersen, entered twenty-one contestants and a one-act play in the Preliminary Speech contest held at St. Angela's Academy in Carroll, February 20th. These students had won the right to compete in this contest after placing I in the home elimination contest. Over forty-three students prepared selections for declamatory work.

Mary Weed, Virginia Shields, and Jack Goesser received I's in the home elimination contest with "Sixteen," "Medea," and "The Last Rendezvous."

Wayne Dozark, Frank Brown, and Bradley Tate won top honors in the oratorical division with "Skeletons All," "Bloody Alars" and "Mankind's Moment of Decision."

In other elimination contests Phyllis North, Hugo Denker, and Marilyn Walde qualified to compete in the original oratory division. Their selections were "Youth Answers the Accusation," "Feeding Starving Europe," and "India's Role In World Affairs."

Phyllis North, Jane Gilchrist, and Joleen Marquardt entered the contest as interpretive readers, while Wayne Dozark and Dwayne Sturtevant competed in the radio speaking division.

In the humorous declamation division Donna Lueck, Joleen Marquardt, and Jo Ann Shields presented "The Cat Came Back," "Why Don't You Tell Me These Things?" and "Sweet and Girlish."

"The Swamp Spirit," the one-act play, included Dick Kapfer, Roxana Jedeke, Virginia Shields, Harlow Sievers, Janice Hinz, Jo Ann Shields, and Eddie Bailen in the cast.

In the preliminary contest eleven division I ratings were received, and thus the contestants advanced to the Pre-District contest. All the contestants in the dramatic and humorous declamation division and also in the interpretive reading groups received I's. Phyllis North placed first in original oratory, and Denison's one-act play was also given a I.

In the Pre-District contest held at Denison, March 11th, nine I's were received. The entire group of Denison entries in both humorous declamation and interpretive readings placed in Division I. Mary Weed and Virginia Shields received I's in the dramatic division. Phyllis North received an automatic I in original oratory since there were no other contestants.

Five I's and four Division II ratings were won by Denison contestants at the District contest held in Paullina, March 24.

Joleen Marquardt and Phyllis North received I ratings in interpretive reading, and Mary Weed received a I rating in dramatic declamation. Phyllis North was also given a I rating in original oratory, while Joleen Marquardt was given a I in the humorous declamation division.

The winners of the District Meet went to Waterloo April 23 and competed with students from all over the state.





*activities*





**First Row:** Left to right — Paul Olsen, Patsy Retman, Sally Jewell, Mrs. Edwin Coen, Sally Johnson, Frank Holland, Dan Hanigan. **Second Row** — Dale Hoffmeier, Bryce Winn, Dick Runge, Eddie Bailen, Jack Goeser, Bob Brannon, Dick Kapfer.

THE first semester journalism class was primarily concerned with the bi-weekly publication of the Monarch News. Thirteen students set a new record by selling over two hundred copies of one edition. Weekly duties of the journalism students included writing current news articles and feature stories, selling advertisements to business firms, and distributing the paper.

Headline stories throughout the semester included: "Yearbook Dedicated to Woodall, Ruch," "Rose Ann Reiff Is Crowned As Queen," "Petersen Selects 'Little Women'," and "Monarchs Meet Manning In Sectional Tournament."

Equally important was the production of the 1954 annual, and much time was spent selling advertisements for the yearly edition. The majority of the necessary advertisements were sold before the semester ended, and the completion of the annual remained for the second semester class.

Each student in the class had a specific job which contributed to the publication of the paper. Bob Brannon, Dan Hanigan, and Eddie Bailen filled the sports page with play by play descriptions of basketball and football games, predictions, honors won by athletes in the competitive sports, and intramural activities. Frank Holland covered Pep Club and the homecoming, Sally Jewell was the band correspondent, and library news was reported by Jack Goeser. Dale Hoffmeier, Paul Olsen, and Bryce Winn wrote numerous articles on the FFA organization and classroom stories. Sally Johnson, Dick Kapfer, and Pat Retman wrote on-the-spot stories of current news. Dick Runge was in charge of the cartoon section, which was featured in the paper this year for the first time. The paper also contained personal sketches of the new teachers and feature stories on alumni and social happenings.



As the second semester journalism class sits back to reflect on what has happened during the publication of this annual, they remember how startled they were when they first heard Mrs. Edwin Coen, their sponsor, using such terms as "deadline," "block," "delete," "cut," "make up," "lead," and dozens of other terms entirely foreign to them. However, as the days went by, they soon became aware that these words were just ordinary journalistic expressions.

They also recall how hard they worked, under the constant pressure of deadlines, while writing copy for the annual, publishing the Monarch News, selling ads for the annual and the paper, as well as the annuals and newspapers themselves.

To fill the pages of this book and the paper, journalists found themselves covering such events as assembly programs, class plays, basketball games, the junior-senior prom and banquet, contests, and projects of the various departments of the school. The writing of the class will and prophecy also fell upon the shoulders of this group.

So as the year comes to an end, students enrolled in the second semester journalism class can look back and reflect on how earnestly they worked while learning to headline their stories, proofread their copy, and book in both newspaper and annual dummies. They also remembered how they studied the structure of the news story, the formation of the summary lead, and the composition of the feature story, human interest story, and editorial.

**First Row**—Harley Godberson, Jane Boeck, Janice Jaacks. **Second Row**—Bradley Tate, Phyllis North, Nancy Retman, Bob Brannon, Blair Baughman. **Third Row**—Barry Moeller, Edgar Brandenburg, Mary Brodersen, Dan Hanigan, Joe Zeiman, Bruce Gary. **Fourth Row**—Donna Lueck, Paul Olsen, Bob Harder, Bud Welch, Jim Christensen.





... future farmers of America was composed of 65 members



**First Row:** Left to right—John Feddersen, Jim Christensen, Erwin Moeller, Hugo Denker, Harlow Sievers, Gerald Bretey, Mr. Rex Ruch, Wayne Dozark, Edgar Brandenburg, Bradley Tate, Blair Baughman, Charles Hawley, Earl Welch. **Second Row**—Melroy Christiansen, Artie Olmstead, Ray Schraeder, LeRoy Bretey, Jim Ahrenholtz, Earl Justice, Jim Tucker, Bob Denker, David Kruthoff, Dwayne Sturtevant, Robert Poggensee, Roger Steinkamp, Dennis Bergstedt. **Third Row**—Delbert Saggau, Wesley Henningsen, Verdell Brus, Galen Mesenbrink, Gene Collins, Delbert Langholtz, Bob Meyer, Barry Moeller, Gail Neumeyer, Erwin Lutts, Robert Rath, Carl Riley. **Fourth Row**—Milford Lochmiller, LeRoy Sturtevant, William Winey, Gerald Riley, Ed Poggensee, Erwin Segebart, Don Bohm, Earl Kahl, Darrell Henningsen, Lawrence Slater, Jackie Jensen, LeRoy Brensel, Darold Sieck, Henry Brus. **Fifth Row**—Dale Bretey, Don Kinney, Donald Jensen, Don Petersen, Dennis Keating, Gene Quandt, Alan Schultz, Lester Boettger, Carol Christiansen, Daryl Chapman, Glen Bielfeldt, Leslie Schultz, Darwin Lingle.

REFLECTIONS cast on the windows of the agriculture room showed the group busily planning a fund raising project to purchase a Seeing Eye Dog for Sherman Spiegel, working out the details of the Christmas party, and debating on the destination of the annual summer trip.

Other things which occupied the minds of this active club included staging a TV show over WOW, electing officers for the coming year, selecting a queen, playing basketball, planning a spring picnic, and conducting regular business meetings.

This year the "Friendly City Chapter" was ably led by Gerald Bretey, president; Edgar Brandenburg, vice-president; Wayne Dozark, secretary; Bradley Tate, treasurer; Harlow Sievers, reporter; Hugo Denker, sergeant-at-arms, and Rex Ruch, advisor.

Many boys took an active part in contest work—creed speaking, parliamentary procedure, cattle judging, extemporaneous speaking, chapter program of work, and the like. Six events won gold awards at the District Contest in Griswold this year and the right to compete for further honors in state competition at Davenport. These included Chapter Program, presented by Blair Baughman and Gerald Bretey; Parliamentary Procedure, Jim Christensen, Wayne Dozark, Edgar Brandenburg, and Leslie Schultz; Public Speaking, Hugo Denker; Extemporaneous Speaking, Bradley Tate; Secretary's book, Wayne Dozark, and Treasurer's book, Bradley Tate.

Bradley Tate, Wayne Dozark, Charles Hawley, and Harlow Sievers made application for Iowa Farmer Degrees. All in all, it was another colorful year which went down as F. F. A. history.



## girls' athletic association . . .

THE Girls' Athletic Association reflects the active and alert girl at work and play. Janice Hinz, Sally Johnson, Roxana Jedelev, and Jackie Trumbull were chosen president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer at the first meeting of this club which was under the direction of Miss Margaret Green, physical education instructor. The girls also selected board members to keep track of the points they acquired in various activities.

As the last days of summer passed quickly, G. A. A. members were busy in their new refreshment stand at the athletic field. The girls sold "Monarch Burgers" and other "goodies" at the football games to pay for the building.

The next major project was the sponsoring of a play day. Approximately sixty witches, goblins, and bats from Sac City, Harlan, and Denison were assembled in the gym October 31st for the G. A. A. Witches' Woundup.

December 18th the halls were filled with "flappers" from the "Roaring Twenties." These were the initiates of G. A. A., who went through the usual antics and perils of such an ordeal.

The club year was high-lighted by the annual banquet which was held February 18th in the cafeteria. Entertainment was furnished by new members who presented skits for their older sisters instead of being dragged through the usual torture chamber.

After the delicious feast, Seniors Patsy Retman, Janice Hinz, Marlene Holmes, Sally Johnson, Marilyn Savery, and Dorothy Satterlee were presented the traditional red rose. An impressive candle-light installation of new members climaxed the evening.

**First Row:** Left to right — Joyce Servoss, Mary Jo Siemer, Jane Boeck, JoAnn Shields, Roxana Jedelev, Jackie Trumbull, Miss Margaret Green, Janice Hinz, Sally Johnson, Miriam Cole, Rita Hall, Marilyn Kuhl, Mary Michaelson. **Second Row** — Kathryn Duncan, Lorraine Krueger, JoAnn Schraeder, Janice Quade, Pat Solberg, Kay Newlon, Karen Kay Hansen, Sharon Thomsen, Karen Meyer, Janice Hill, Darlene Jeschke, Delores Mattson, Nancy Retman. **Third Row** — Virginia Shields, Marlene Holmes, Patsy Retman, Sally Jewell, Nancy Mohr, Arlene Reichert, Janice Preul, Verla Heldt, Sandra Jepsen, Lois Beerman, Cathy Holland, Karlyene Hohl, Marilyn Savery, Mary Weed. **Fourth Row** — Ruth Jaacks, Edith Wingrove, Phyllis North, Anna Lueck, Joleen Marquardt, Betty McClellan, Wanda Gosch, Darlene Emge, Roberta Tolle, Betty Malone, Pat Groth, Darlene Timm, Dorothy Satterlee, Carolyn Hood. **Fifth Row** — Judy Kregness, Polly Pester, Barbara Lahr, Donna Lueck, Nancy Norman, Jean Harker, Sharon Davis, Diane Grill, Mary Brodersen, Janice Kapfer, Karen Lee Hansen, Phyllis Rhodes, Sandra Maxwell.





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**M**ANY reflections were made during the school year 1953-54 by the Library Club. The club began its third year with 52 active members who were divided into two sections.

Reflections were made early in the year by the election of officers. Officers of Section I were Shirley Christensen, president; Marilyn Wingrove, secretary-treasurer; and Jack Goeser, reporter, while JoAnn Heldt, Mary Brodersen, and Jack Goeser were elected president, secretary-treasurer, and reporter, respectively, of Section II.

Three standing committees were appointed by Mrs. Hilda B. Catron. These included a finance committee, social committee, and a cooperation committee.

A library club member must meet the requirements of one credit a week in order to remain in the club. Credits are made by work satisfactorily completed in a manual and routines which include care of newspapers and magazines, mending, charging-out and charging-in procedures, shelving books, charge of overdue book notices and IOU's, making cards, typing, filing catalog cards, and cleaning books and materials.

Members of the club also were in charge of the bulletin board and had different exhibits during the year. Book Week, Christmas, and Thanksgiving were themes used for the bulletin board, while exhibits were shown from the American literature classes and the English II classes.

New equipment for the library was purchased during the past year. This included a combination card catalog and business file and two double book shelves.

**First Row:** Left to right — JoAnn Schraeder, Joanne Winans, Patricia Van Arsdol, Bonnie Beymer, Mrs. Hilda Catron, Anna McKeighan, Joyce Blankenbaker, Barbara Trubull. **Second Row**—Shirley Christensen, Wanda Hillhouse, Mary Jo Siemer, Kathryn Duncan, Sally Jewell, Mary Weed, Dale Siemer, Sandra Mesenbrink, Janice Quade. **Third Row** — Judy Kregness, Amy Crane, Mary Michaelson, Verla Heldt, Dwayne Sturtevant, Susan Spieker, Phyllis North. **Fourth Row**—Thea Olson, Patricia Robbins, Barbara Whiteing, Theresia Hanrahan, Anna Lueck, Gertrude Reichert, Darlene Petersen, Marilyn Wingrove. **Fifth Row**—Jesse McCullough, Phil Jones, Merle Ballentine, Donald Petersen, John Revers, Philip Kapfer, Larry Servoss.



## library club . . .

As a special project, fourteen Library club students under the direction of Mrs. Hilda Catron presented "A Typical Day in the Library" at the PTA meeting held November 23, in the high school library.

Students who assisted by ushering and working at the charging-out desk included Mary Brodersen, JoAnn Heldt, Shirley Christensen, Gertrude Reichert, Judy Kregness, Barbara Whiteing, Marilyn Wingrove, Susan Spieker, Mary Jo Siemer, Jo Ann Schroeder, Joyce Blankenbaker, Bernice Halterman, and Ann McKeighan.

Following the business of the PTA meeting, Mrs. Catron requested that in order to make the program a success, parents and teachers should turn back the clock to their high school days. The program was divided into three minute sessions.

Students Louise Jewell, R. M. Watson, and K. B. Koch did such typical things as attempting to locate notes for a speech in a blue book without knowing the title and author, checking out a magazine, and preparing a speech on conservation.

Teachers who acted as study hall supervisors during the three periods were Mrs. Edwin Coen, Miss Anna Marie Schneller, and Miss Esther Oppedahl.

Members of the Library Club and Mrs. Catron, librarian, are trying to work together to make the the library a service agency, a teaching agency, a materials' center, and a reading center. Service is given to both teachers and pupils by checking books in and out, and seeking information for those who need help in locating materials.

**First Row:** Left to right—Phyllis Whited, Karen Kay Hansen, Karen Lee Hansen, Jo Ann Heldt, Mrs. Hilda Catron, Nancy Retman, Janice Neumann, Jo Ann Shields, Janice Jaacks. **Second Row**—Polly Pester, Marilyn Crouse, Delbert Langholz, James Tucker, Don Aebischer, Bernice Halterman, Sharon Agee, Dianne Grill. **Third Row** — Karen Britton, Keith Duncan, Shirley Gorman, Janice Rademacker, Nancy Korthkamp, Nancy Norman, Mary Joy Leonard, Alice Bowen. **Fourth Row**—Rozella Miller, Margaret Holst, Jane Gilerist, Rose Schlie, Elvira Heldt, Mary Brodersen, Sharon Davis, Jack Groth. **Fifth Row**—Francis Pepper, Richard Houlihan, David Duncan, Stanley Kraft, Lester Boettger, Jack Goesser, Andy McMinimee.







**CHEERLEADERS**

Left to right—Roxana Jedele, Phyllis North, Donna Lueck, Mary Brodersen, Sally Johnson, Mary Siemer.



**HOMECOMING QUEEN AND ATTENDANTS**

Left to right—Dolores Mattson, Donna Lueck, Rose Ann Reiff, Sally Johnson.



## pep club . . .

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THE work of the Pep Club was reflected in the enthusiasm shown through out the football and basketball seasons. School spirit is put to a severe test when a team has a losing season, and this year the club did a fine job of keeping up team morale. This was accomplished largely by increased student attendance and enthusiasm at games.

The Pep Club was instrumental in obtaining buses to take students to these out-of-town contests. In past years, this has not been a common practice, but this year it has proved quite successful.

The annual Pep Club picnic was held early in the fall. Spirits undampened by rain, they gathered in the shelter-house, and, after they'd had their fill of hot dogs and ice cream, the members chose the new officers for the coming year. Frank Holland was elected as president, Sally Johnson as vice-president, and Janice Hinz as secretary-treasurer. The organization was under the able sponsorship of Miss Margaret Green, girls' gym instructor. Miss Shirley Smith, typing and shorthand teacher, was named co-sponsor.

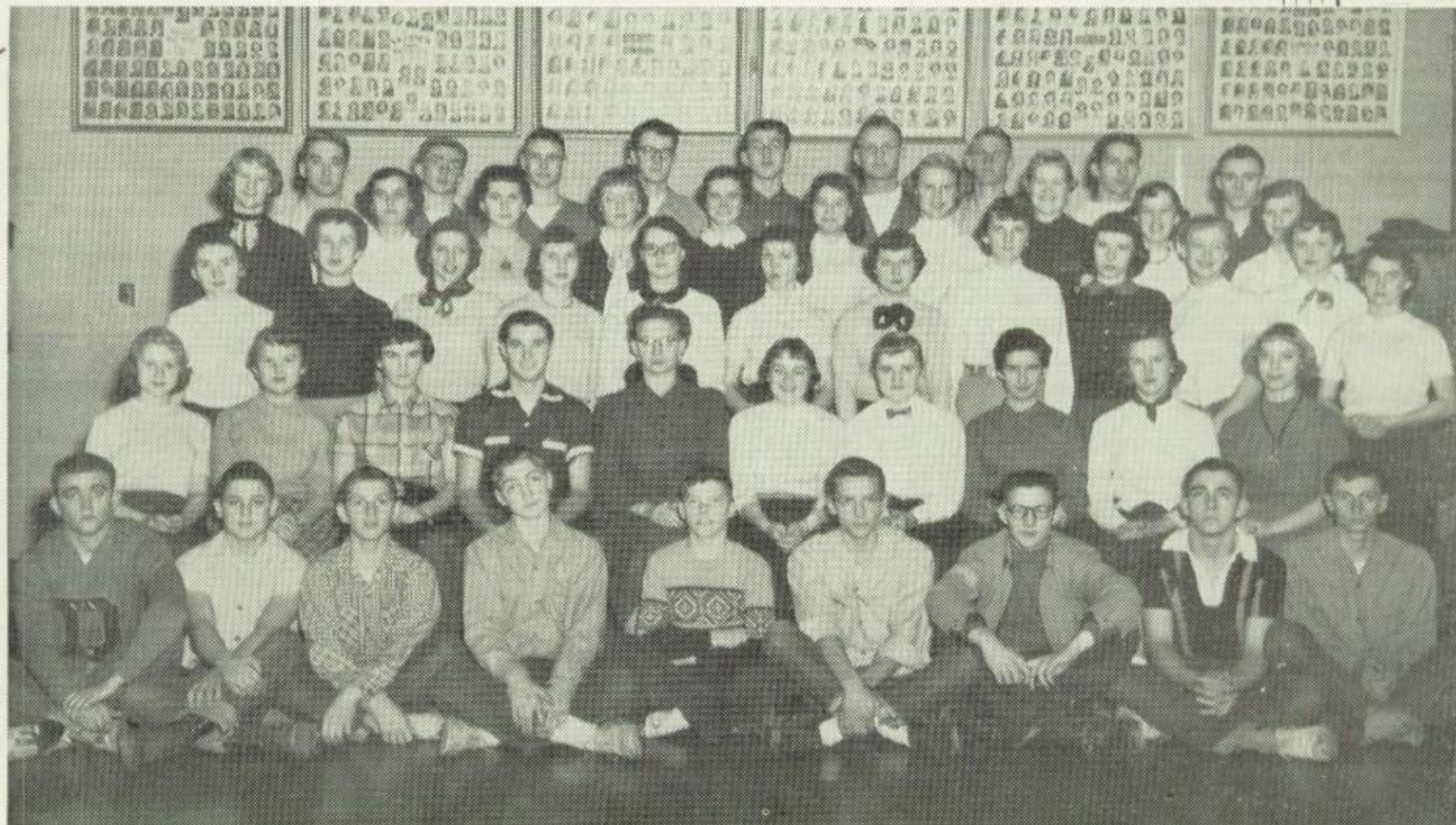
Homecoming week found the pepsters busy selling homecoming pins, planning skits, making arrangements for the traditional Snake dance, and organizing the hour long pep meeting.

Because they felt the club should be more democratic, twenty-three new members were voted in, raising the membership from twenty-seven to fifty.

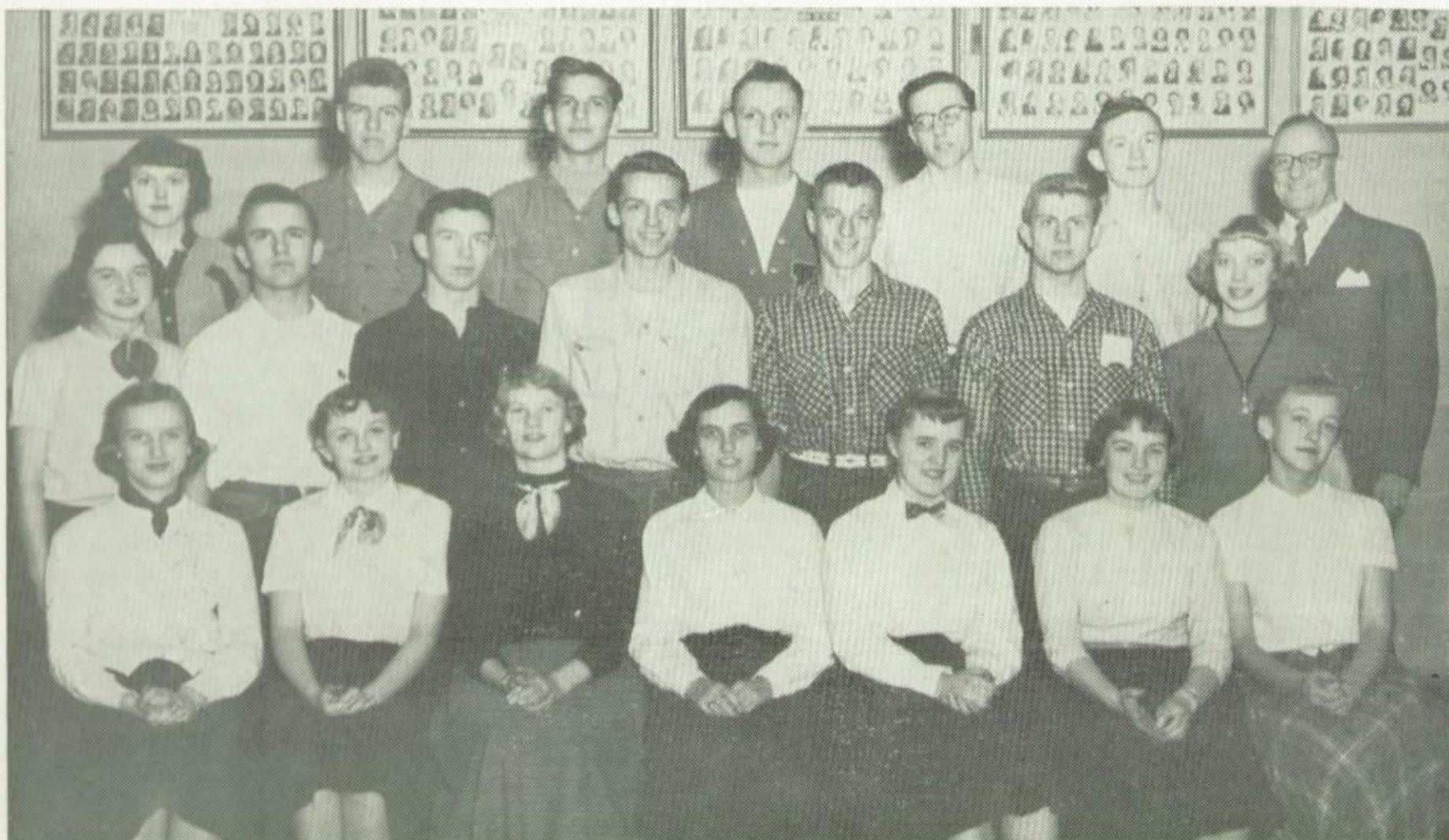
The purpose of the Pep Club is to support the team and to arouse school spirit, not to provide a social organization with parties and dances for its members. Keeping this in mind, the members are attempting to remold their club into one which effectively fulfills this purpose.

**First Row:** Left to right — James Kregness, Dale Siemer, Keith Duncan, Ross Johnson, Lee Harker, Richard Kapfer, Donald Aebischer, Larry Servoss, David Duncan. **Second Row—** Mary Weed, Sally Jewell, Phyllis North, Francis Holland, Margaret Green, Janice Hinz, Sally Johnson, JoAnn Heldt, Nancy Norman, Marilyn Savery. **Third Row —** Sally Behen, Miriam Cole, Patricia Solberg, Roxana Jedele, Kay Newlon, Janice Hill, Mary Siemer, Joleen Marquardt, Mary Leonard, Donna Lueck, Pat Retman, Shirley Gorman. **Fourth Row—** Mary Brodersen, Jean Harker, Sandy Maxwell, Janice Kapfer, Cathy Holland, Phyllis Rhodes, Janice Jaacks, Sharon Davis, Karen Britton, Jackie Trumbull. **Fifth Row —** Bob Kruse, Andy McMinimee, Bob Brandt, Dan Hanigan, Jack Goesser, Harlow Slevvers, Dick Runge, Don Beck, Bob Brannon.

*Signature*







**First Row:** Left to right — Nancy Norman, Pat Retman, Mary Brodersen, Jean Harker, Sally Johnson, Janice Hinz, Donna Lueck. **Second Row** — Virginia Shields, Arnold Rabe, Paul Olsen, Dick Kapfer, Bob Meyer, Jerry O'Connor, Marilyn Savery. **Third Row** — Marleen Holmes, Don Petersen, Eddie Bailen, Harlow Sievers, Phil Kapfer, Bob Clarey, Mr. Harry Blomstrand.

REFLECTIONS in the mirror of 1953-54 showed "Ye Atomic Powers," Science Club, busily engaged in a number of activities.

Scenes reflected on the windows of Room 102 showed Mr. William Lewis, art instructor, explaining the process of developing films; Jeweler Howard Kelly displaying a number of rare diamonds, and Sponsor Harry Blomstrand showing scenic views of Cuba.

At the first meeting, the club elected Nancy Norman, president; Frank Brown, vice-president; Bob Clarey, secretary-treasurer; and JoAnn Shields to paste up the scrapbook. At a later meeting Sally Johnson was elected to take over the vice-president's post.

Early in the year Tom Gary, chairman of the entertainment committee, arranged for Harry Maxwell, local mortician, to speak. Here Mr. Maxwell told of ancient burial customs, and at a later meeting, took the members to his funeral parlor where he showed them his display of caskets and burial vaults.

Outside excursions of the club included a trip to the local light plant and a tour of the Dr. Pepper Bottling Plant. At the bottling plant, Mr. William Wahrman showed the club his collection of rare pop bottles and explained the process of mixing and bottling soft drinks.

A trip to the hospital was another highlight of the club's activities. There Miss Rachael Hall, laboratory technician, demonstrated the basal metabolism test using Jean Harker; and Paul Olsen had his blood count taken. At the close of the session, Miss Hall explained the duties and education of a laboratory technician.



LOOKING back at the reflections of 1953-54, we see the Denison Chapter of the Cadet Teachers Corps, an active organization of twenty-nine members. Under the able direction and guidance of Miss Anna Schneller and Mrs. Delores Fastje, club members received actual observation and experience in the classrooms of grades one through six.

Thirteen seniors, ten juniors, and six sophomores joined the organization, choosing Dick Kapfer, president; Jean Harker, vice-president; and Mary Brodersen, secretary, first semester. Phil Kapfer, Pat Solberg, and Janice Kapfer headed the future pedagogues during the second semester.

Purpose of the club was to interest high school students in the teaching profession and to make them aware of the facts concerning this occupation.

In their classroom work cadets assisted in arithmetic and spelling drills, told stories, or taught units of science, according to their choice. Demonstrations of methods and techniques in conducting drills were given. At one meeting, Miss Schneller and Mrs. Fastje demonstrated the story telling technique, while cadets observed the facial expressions and reactions of the grade youngsters.

At another meeting, a panel discussion on the "Characteristics of a Good Teacher" was presented by Frank Brown, Jerry O'Connor, Donna Lueck, Marilyn Walde, and Pat Solberg.

During the year, such speakers as Mrs. Josephine McHenry, city librarian, and Mr. K. B. Koch, superintendent, gave informative talks to cadets. Mrs. McHenry discussed children's tastes in books, while Mr. Koch discussed what students should expect to gain from teaching.

**First Row:** Left to right—Pat Solberg, Roxana Jedele, Janice Neumann, Marilyn Walde, Janice Smith, Delores Mattson, Jo Ann Heldt, Nancy Retman, Donna Lueck. **Second Row:** Sandra Jepsen, Jackie Trumbull, Sally Jewell, Karlyene Hohl, Sharon Davis, Patsy Retman, Kay Newlon, Mary Weed, Jean Harker. **Third Row:** Karen Lee Hansen, Jerry O'Connor, Phil Kapfer, Francis Brown, Dick Runge, Dick Kapfer, Mary Brodersen, Janice Kapfer, Sandra Maxwell.





## . . . drama club



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**First Row:** Left to right — Joleen Marquardt, Sharon Thomsen, Karen Meyer, Theresa McCullough, Miss LaVerne Shannon, Dick Kapfer, Janice Hinz, Roxana Jedelev, Mr. Harold Petersen, Delores Mattson, Marilyn Savery, Mary Brodersen, Sandra Jepsen, Carolyn Hood, Janice Kapfer.  
**Second Row** — Janet Christiansen, Amy Belle Crane, Janice Jaacks, Virginia Shields, Kay Newlon, Jackie Trumbull, Pat Solberg, Sandy Maxwell, Barbara Trumbull, Cathy Holland, Shirley Gorman, Marilyn Crouse, Sally Behen, Nancy Kortkamp, Darleen Timm.  
**Third Row** — Sally Jewell, Mary Weed, Jean Harker, Phyllis North, Rozella Miller, Mary Leonard, Karen Britton, Phyllis Rhodes, Joyce Blankenbager, Miriam Cole, Pat Groth, Jane Gilchrist, Janice Hill, Rita Hall, Ann Lee McKeighan.  
**Fourth Row** — Jim Kregness, Bob Kruse, Jack Goesser, Harlow Slevens, Sharon Davis, Bob Brannon, Jim Tucker, Don Aebischer, Dwayne Sturtevant, Betty Malone, Anna Lueck, Nancy Retman, Karen Lee Hansen.  
**Fifth Row** — Richard Houlihan, Frank Holland, Andy McMinimie, Roger Kuhlmann, Dale Huebner, Phil Kapfer, Dan Hanigan, Frank Brown, Darwin Heide, Donna Lueck, Joann Heldt, Jack Revers, Marilyn Kuhl.

THIS year one of the most active clubs of DHS, the Speech and Dramatics Club, was organized under the able leadership of Miss LaVerne Shannon and Mr. Harold Petersen. The club elected Janice Hinz, Roxana Jedelev, and Dick Kapfer as their president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

This marks the second year that speech and drama students have had an organized club. During the year, seventy-five members took an active part in the many functions of the organization.

Some of the first club projects of the year were panel discussions using such a topic as, "The Purpose of Joining Drama Club." A group of freshman girls had a lot of fun at one meeting presenting charades of popular song titles. A prize was given to the three persons who identified most of the charades correctly; they were placed on the entertainment committee for the next meeting.

Numerous members were active in contest work and proved their abilities by winning many high ratings. The club sponsored a contest here in the high school on March 11 and all members took part in some way.

The biggest project undertaken by the Dramatists was cleaning the property rooms. After removing excess costumes and furniture, one prop room was transformed into the vocal music office.

You probably remember how you enjoyed the various entertainments provided by the Drama Club at assembly programs. Perhaps "The Swamp Spirit," a one-act play, or some of the declamations were what you liked best.

In cooperation with the music department the club sponsored a variety show, the proceeds of which helped to buy a new tape recorder to be used in speech and music work.



*Finally The variety show . . . had*

“CURTAIN Call”, a variety show with 15 acts, was presented by the vocal, instrumental, dramatic, and art departments of Denison high school on March 5.

The “Musical Monarchs,” high school dance band, started the program with “Keep It Gay” and “Terry Theme” from Limelight. Larry Servoss, junior comedian, appeared next in striped shirt, hat, and greased mustache to give his rendition of “Cest Si Bon”.

The Four Aces of Denison High—Jack Goesser, Dick Runge, Dick Kapfer, and Bob Brannon, imitated the Four Aces of national prominence in their rendition of “Heart of My Heart” and “Stranger in Paradise.”

Andy McMinimee, Bob Kruse, and Jim Kregness, junior football players, and Dan Hanigan, senior basketball star, gave their interpretation of the ballet, “Waltz of the Flowers.”

The girls’ tapline—Sandy Maxwell, Mary Jane Weed, Sally Jewell, Darleen Timm, Patsy Retman, and Patty Solberg—danced to the tune of “South,” and Jackie Trumbull and Roxanna Jedelev pantomimed “Dear John Letter.”

The Boys’ Glee Club sang “Erie” and “Smoke Gets In Your Eyes,” followed by the Boys’ Octet, who sang “Lassie O’ Mine” and “Keys of Heaven.”

The Girls’ Sextet presented “Vilia” and “Make Believe,” while the Sophomore Girls’ Quartet sang “Moonbeams” and “Kentucky Babe.”

“Rejoice and Give Thanks,” “Without a Song,” and “Gospel Boogie” were sung by the Mixed Chorus.

Larry Zea and Frank Brown sang, as solo selections, “Care Selve” and “Yours in My Heart Alone.” “Prelude in G Minor,” a piano solo, was played by Jean Harker.

The Mixed Chorus appeared as the final number of the evening to sing the ever popular “Show Business.”

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*138 participants*

*Many of you were in 20 or more activities. What great student*

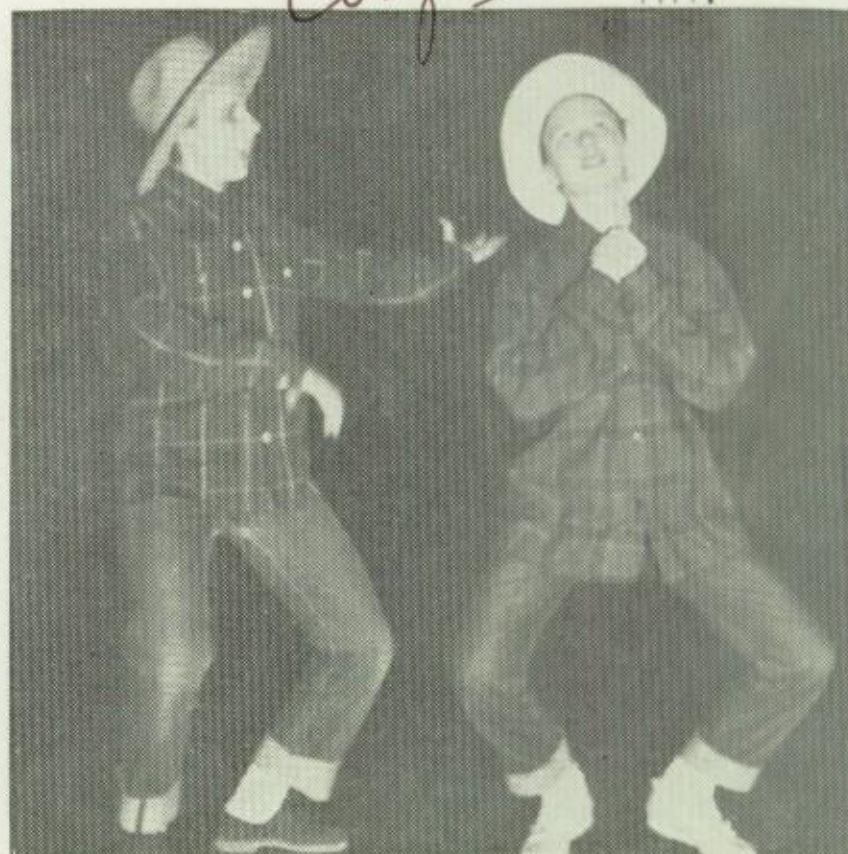
#### MALE DANCERS

Left to right—Jim Kregness, Frank Holland, Dan Hanigan, Andy McMinimee, Bob Kruse.

#### DEAR JOHN LETTER

Left to right — Roxana Jedelev, Jackie Trumbull.

*Participation is Congratulated*





# ... snapshots



1 The Rex Boys; 2 Nancy Kortcamp; 3 Sandra Kraft; 4 8th grade graduation; 5 Karen Hansen; 6 Betty Wulf; 7 Sandra Jepsen; 8 Mary Weed; 9 Phyllis North; 10 Vickie Meece; 11 Beverly Schroeder; 12 Bernice Halterman; 13 Shirley Gorman and Michael Champion; 14 Norma Petersen; 15 Junior Class Float; 16 Shirley Christiansen and Colleen Quandt; 17 Freshman Gang; 18 The Rex Gang; 19 Sally Behen and Janice Hinz; 20 The boys; 21 Mary Brodersen, Lois Hansen and Pat Retman; 22 Nancy Retman; 23 Colleen Quandt, Beverly Keating, and Donna Kahl.





1 Richard Houlihan and Frank Holland; 2 Darlene Jeschke, Sandra Mesenbrink, Pat Van Arsdol and Eve Behen; 3 Hugo Denker; 4 Butch Brannon; 6 Sandra Maxwell; 7 Dan Hanigan and Rose Siemer; 8 Jane Boeck; 9 Dick and Phil Kapfer; 10 Mary Siemer and Nancy Mohr; 11 Marilyn Kuhl; 12 Janice Brandenburg; 13 Betty Malone; 14 Bruce Gary; 15 Sally Johnson; 16 Nancy, Patsy and Frankie Retman; 17 Bob Brandt; 18 Phyllis North; 19 Richard Runge; 20 Nancy Retman; 21 Barbara Trumbull; 22 Bill Knott; 23 Michael Champion; 24 GAA initiates; 25 Donna Lueck, Bob Brandt, and Phyllis North; 27 Elvira Heldt and Karen Hansen; 28 Jane Boeck; 29 Marilyn Walde; 30 Janice Jaacks.



# ... snapshots



1 Phyllis North and Janice Hinz; 2 Ross Johnson; 3 Mary weed; 4 Darrell Henningsen; 5 Bradley Tate; Beverly Keating; 7 Jerry O'Connor and Frank Brown 8 Janice Hill; 9 Jane Boeck; 10 Karen Britton; 11 Gail Neumeier and Wayne Dozark; 12 Phyllis North; 13, Daryl Chapman; 14 Harley Godbersen; 15 Betty Wulf; 16 Karen Hansen; 17 John McMinimee; 18 Sandra Jepsen; 19 Mary Joy Leonard; 20 Donna Campbell; 21 Michael Champion; 22 Janice Brandenburg; 23 Joe Zieman; 24 Dale Siemer and Richard Houlihan; 25 Zola Gehring; 26 Richard Houlihan and John McMinimee; 27 Marlene Walde; 28 Barbara Trumbull; 29 Marilyn Crouse, Karen Britton, Nancy Kortcamp, Mary Leonard, and Shirley Gorman.



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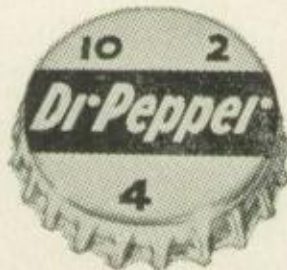
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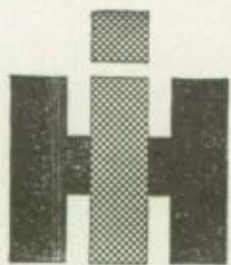


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